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TEN CENTS A WEEK.

SHAPING PLANS

Articles of Incorporation for the Carnegie Institution Filed at Washington.

VERY BROAD IN THEIR TERMS

Objects Are to Promote Study and Research in Science and Literature.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Secretary Hay and the other gentlemen interested in the fund of ten millions, to be presented to the United States by Andrew Carnegie, to be used to advance the cause of education, met at the state department today to consider the matter. The articles of incorporation submitted were adopted.

Later in the day the articles of incorporation for the Carnegie Institution were filed with the recorder of deeds here. The incorporators are Secretary of State John Hay, Edward D. White, Dr. John S. Billings, Daniel C. Gilman, Dr. Charles D. Walcott of the geological survey and Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of labor. The articles fix the name and title of the institution as "The Carnegie Institution." It shows it is organized "for a perpetual term." Its objects are "the promotion of study and research, the power to acquire, hold and convey real estate and other property and establish general and special funds; to assist in the investigations in science and literature or co-operate with the government, universities, colleges, learned societies and individuals; to appoint a committee of experts to direct these special lines and publish and distribute documents; to conduct literature; hold meetings; to acquire and maintain a library; and in general, to do and perform all things necessary to promote the objects of said institution."

The affairs and funds and the property of the corporation will be in general charge of a board of trustees to consist during the first year of twenty-seven, and thereafter not to exceed thirty members, except by a three-quarter vote of the board.

The meeting today at which the incorporation was crystallized, was the result of a number of informal conferences that have been held by the incorporators, who were selected personally by Carnegie. The definite form in which the gift of Mr. Carnegie will be made will not be announced, although, according to those interested, it will be in a shape generally satisfactory. It is understood it will be in the form of gift-edged securities, but not of government issue, in view of the greater income paid by outside securities.

MRS. PLANT WINS

Probate of Will in New York Gives Her \$7,000,000 Instead of \$30,000.

New York, Jan. 4.—Justice Leventritt in the supreme court announced the decision today in the action brought by Mrs. Mary J. Plant, widow of Henry Bradley Plant, founder of the Plant system of railways and steamships, against the executors and trustees of the will. Judge Leventritt decided that the will should be probated and established in this state, on the ground that Plant was a resident of New York at the time of his death. The will was executed in Connecticut a few days before Plant's death and was offered for probate there. Mrs. Plant maintained the probate there invalid. In the will she was left only a life annuity of \$20,000. The effect of Leventritt's decision will be to give her a full dower right amounting to about seven millions.

From Bryan Down.

Boston, Jan. 4.—At a meeting today the democratic state committee refused to co-operate with the Commonwealth club in the reception and banquet to be tendered by the latter to Hon. William Jennings Bryan. The action of the committee was unanimous.

Getting Ready.

Bristol, R. I., Jan. 4.—Anti-impeding another international yacht race, Captain Nat Hinesworth, it is understood, has plans under way for a ninety footer, to defend the American's cup against Sir Thomas Lipton's proposed Shamrock III.

Burial Goods Factory Burns

Chicago, Jan. 4.—The plant of James C. Curtis & Co., manufacturers of undertakers' supplies, was damaged \$200,000 by fire tonight. During the fire there were several explosions and some firemen had narrow escapes. The loss is covered by insurance.

A Buying Trust.

Webster City, Ia., Jan. 4.—The retail furniture dealers of central northwest Iowa have formed a buying trust, with headquarters here. A saving in prices and on freights will, it is predicted, be effected. J. Wallington of this city is president.

ENDED IN FIGHT

Big Bike Race at Boston Had Disgraceful Finish.

Boston, Jan. 4.—The six day bicycle race at Park Square ended tonight in a fist fight, which became general for a few minutes, with McFarland and Maya the winners. The battle for first money was started on the last mile. Until the fifth lap the order was McFarland and Freeman, Gougoltz and Leander, and McLean and King. Then Leander, in a burst of speed, went ahead of the field, with McLean after him. While rounding the bank into the back stretch, Gougoltz and McLean came together and went down. Gougoltz was the first on his machine and away he went. Leander held the leading position until the opening of the last lap, when McFarland jumped in and won first, with Leander second, Freeman third, King fourth, Gougoltz fifth and McLean sixth. Chevrolet and Fischer captured seventh prize and Krebs and Keegan eighth; Muller and Jaak got ninth position, but were outside of the prize money. The final scores:

McFarland and Maya, Leander and Rutz, Freeman and Munroe, King and Samuelson, Gougoltz and Simar, McLean and Butler, 1193 miles and 5 laps.

Fischer and Chevrolet, 1193 miles and 2 laps.

Krebs and Keegan, 1193 miles.

Muller and Jaak, 1192 miles and 7 laps.

The trouble began almost instantly after the men went over the tape. McFarland, who only won the first prize by inches, jumped off his wheel and dashed at Leander. The other riders and trainers interfered and got Leander out of the way. Freeman next went after Leander and struck him full in the face. Thereupon the riders, trainers and spectators took a hand and for a few minutes the affair looked like a small riot.

A policeman finally straightened out matters, but the excitement was intense. The fight grew out of Leander's sprinting in the afternoon which threatened to break up the supposed combination between McFarland, McLean and Freeman to take the race in that order. Leander's sprint broke up the alleged combination, as it proved too hard for the three men said to be in it to keep their places in the bunch, which would have given them the advantage at night. Then Leander started the final sprint sooner than McFarland figured on. It led to a spill and made the race anybody's.

CUBAN POSTAL FRAUDS

Newley, Rathbone et al., Arraigned in Court at Havana.

Havana, Jan. 4.—The trials of the cases arising from the Cuban postoffice embezzlement opened today in the audience court before five judges. One hundred and eighty-two witnesses have been called to testify. About eighty responded today. Of the defendants Newley, Rathbone and Reeves were seated on one side of the room and Moyn, Mascara, the Cuban stamp clerk, on the other. Newley showed no signs of confusion. Rathbone was informed by the judges that his counsel, Senior Lanza Lescoraine, had withdrawn. Upon other counsel for the defense refusing to assume charge of Rathbone's case the court appointed Lawyer Pascuma, a court employee. Newley, Rathbone, Moyn and Mascara pleaded not guilty and Reeves was granted permission to wait until the next session of the court before he makes his plea.

Senior Zayas, Newley's counsel, asked that the accusation against his client be read. He said the court had not allowed him to consult the documents and examine the papers in order to prepare a defense. The complaint was read in Spanish, consisting two and a half hours. During the reading Rathbone protested, asking a continuance of the trial until he had time to select his own counsel. The court said the protest would be considered. Lawyer Desvigne, brother of Rathbone's former counsel, asked the privilege of the court to assume protection of his brother's client for the afternoon. The court granted the request, but would not allow the further delay asked for. Desvigne then moved the reading of Rathbone's answer to the charges but this was withheld until the next session of the court, which adjourned until Monday.

The defense takes the ground that the government is submitting a great mass of documentary evidence and that twenty days given them in which to file an answer is not sufficient.

Robbed Mail Carrier

Goodland, I. T., Jan. 4.—The interstate mail carrier was held up by three masked men between Goodland and Florenceville and the mail pouch robbed of its contents. A postoffice inspector has been detailed to hunt down the robbers.

Train Order Was Wrong

Shawnee, O. T., Jan. 4.—Two negroes and an Indian were killed in a collision between a freight and an extra train near Earleboro tonight. Both engines were wrecked and eight cars demolished. The wreck was caused by a mistake in the train order.

St. Paul, Jan. 4.—Joseph W. Blalock has been elected president of the Northern Steamship company and the Great Northern Express company.

IS NON-ELASTIC

Crude Rubber Company's Assets Fall Short of the Liabilities

BY ABOUT FOUR MILLION

Receiver Appointed to Take Charge of Affairs—Statement of Condition.

New York, Jan. 4.—An official announcement was made this afternoon at the office of the Crude Rubber company that a receiver had been appointed for the company. The announcement was accompanied by the following statement:

"The Crude Rubber company is in the hands of a receiver in order to avoid the obtaining of preferences by attachment or otherwise and in order that all interests may be equally protected. The International Crude Rubber company, which succeeds to the business of the Crude Rubber company, and has taken over the rubber of the Crude Rubber company for the purpose of avoiding any conflict in selling. This secures the banks that advanced on the rubber of the old crude company, the prices for rubber on which they loaned and preserves the largest equity for the creditors of the Crude Rubber company."

Officers of the Crude Rubber company declined any further statement as to the status of the company, the nature of its liabilities or its future prospects.

The application for a receiver for the Crude Rubber company was made to Judge Lacombe in the United States circuit court by Attorney William Nelson Cromwell and the judge appointed William W. Ladd, Jr.

CROMWELL TALKS.

Cromwell said tonight: "Upon application of the Charles R. Flint Co., Judge Prentiss of the circuit court of Norfolk, Va., today appointed William W. Ladd, Jr., receiver for the Crude Rubber company for that jurisdiction and thereupon in company with Mr. Hill of my firm, for Charles R. Flint Co., and William F. Goldbeck for the Crude Rubber Co., ancillary proceedings were filed before Judge Lacombe, of the United States circuit court, for this district. The action was taken in the interests of the creditors and stockholders of the Crude Rubber Co., to prevent preference by attachment, dismemberment of property or assets."

According to Cromwell the Crude Rubber Co. has now a stock of rubber and bills receivable in excess of three millions, nearly all of which is pledged to bankers. Cromwell said the company's direct liabilities were about three millions, added to which are the endorsements and guarantees for another million. The primary cause of the Crude Rubber Co. embarrassment is believed to be due to the adverse weather conditions of the past two years. Because of these conditions the price of raw rubber has declined almost 30 cents per pound. Flint said today: "A new schedule of prices issued by the United States Rubber Co. Jan. 1, shows an advance in discount rates to jobbers."

DR. THOMAS VOLUNTEERS

Wants to Go to South Africa to Work Among Boer Prisoners.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Rev. Dr. Hiram W. Thomas, recently pastor of the People's church of Chicago, now at DePue Springs, Fla., announced by letter to Peter Van Vlissinger, treasurer of the Chicago branch of the American Transvaal league, the willingness of himself and wife to go to South Africa in the interests of the non-combatants gathered in the reconcentrated camps.

The letter says: "In the name of God and humanity we are ready to go to that far off land, and gladly will we be the bearers of the generous offerings and the deep sympathy of the people of our country to non-combatants, the aged, the mothers and children, the sick and dying, whose husbands and fathers are fighting so grandly for home and country and for the rights of man."

Van Vlissinger will apply to the state department at Washington, requesting its good offices to get from the British government the necessary passports to enable Dr. Thomas and wife to visit the reconcentrated camps for the purpose of distributing the money collected throughout this state under the proclamation recently issued by Governor Richard Yates.

Independent Coal Company

Pittsburg, Jan. 4.—A powerful independent coal combination was formed here today, to be known as the Manufacturers' and Consumers' Coal company, with a capital of five millions, all paid in. It will compete with the Pittsburg Coal company, the contention being the latter company cannot supply the demand.

Printing Company Burns

Toledo, Jan. 4.—The Franklin Printing and Engraving company's plant was destroyed by fire tonight. Loss, \$92,000. Insurance, one-half.

URIBE-URIBE WINS A POINT

Was Assisted by Venezuela—A Sea Fight in Prospect.

New York, Jan. 4.—A cable dispatch today from General Vargas Santos, chief of the Colombian rebellion, to Dr. A. J. Restrepo, diplomatic agent of the rebels here, announced that General Rafael Uribe Uribe had effected an entrance in to Colombia from Venezuela. For some time Uribe Uribe has been at Tachira, Venezuela, with an army of two thousand. He tried time and again to get past the Colombian forces but always without success. In his attempts he was assisted by the troops of the Venezuelan army. He has now accomplished that and with a force composed only of Colombian liberals, an entrance was gained into the department of Santander and it is expected there will be severe fighting soon. The insurgents under General Arzola captured the city of Bucaramanga, one of the most important towns in the country and the capital of Santander. Another attempt to take Panama is now being planned by the insurrectionists.

SEA FIGHT IN PROSPECT.

Colon, Jan. 4.—It is reported from Panama that General Alban has chartered the Pacific Steam Navigation company's steamer Chiriqui and the Pacific Mail company's steamer, Isabel, and with these vessels and the gunboat Boyaca and a canal boat will leave shortly to attack the fleet of the revolutionists.

CHANDLER'S TALK

Suggests a Reform in the Conduct of Presidential Office.

HE WOULD BE EXCLUSIVE

Washington, Jan. 4.—The Post will print tomorrow an interesting and important article by ex-Senator William E. Chandler, president of the Spanish claims commission entitled "Wanted, by the United States, a President."

The article is a strong argument for a reform in the present methods of conducting the executive business. Chandler asserts a president now has only three objects in life:

First—To see 20,000 people a year.

Second—To accomplish two thousand little things.

Third—To try to do too many great things.

In seeing so many thousands people about trivial matters and in giving his attention to the thousands of little things the president, Chandler insists, is worn out and becomes physically unable to grapple with the great problems to which he ought to give his undivided attention. Chandler cites from personal knowledge the cases of presidents who almost succumbed under the strain, including particularly President Arthur, in whose cabinet he was secretary of the navy, and McKinley, to whose impaired health Chandler attributes his inability to recover from the shock of the assassination bullet. Chandler expresses regret that Roosevelt "even in his quickness, acuteness and present unflagging industry and unbounded energy has given countenance to the idea that he will do all the appointing himself and hear all that any one has to say concerning any appointment. Chandler links the great weight of the pressure for office ought to fall upon the cabinet ministers and the president ought to have more time for important things. The article concludes: "This needed change in customs at first, no doubt, would be unpopular. It will be condemned as unrepudiated and exclusive. It will require, to begin a new rule, a president who has been a man of the people, who is known to have been at heart thoroughly democratic in all his ideas and ways and who is also strong in his convictions and fearless in action. Is not Roosevelt such a president? Will he inaugurate the reform?"

HEEDS THE PROTEST

Italy's Complaint Against Lynching Heed ed by Roosevelt

Rome, Jan. 4.—A cable dispatch from Washington says that Secretary of State Hay sent a note to the Italian ambassador at Washington, Signor Mayor Des Planches, saying a copy of Italy's protest against the lynching of Italian citizens at Erwin, Miss., will be sent to congress, accompanied by a recommendation by President Roosevelt, advocating legislative reforms and the subsection of all acts committed in violation of treaties and to the detriment of foreigners to the federal courts for jurisdiction.

SATTLEY SUES STRIKERS

Brings an Action for \$50,000 Against Men Who Quit

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 4.—The Sattley Manufacturing company today filed a suit for \$50,000 damages against the forty-two strikers who formerly worked in the shops, but are now engaged in a strike. The case is based on trespassing and other unlawful actions of the strikers.

Held to Grand Jury

Fort Leavenworth, Jan. 4.—Turner Barnes and Fred Robinson, the remaining ring leaders of the federal prison mutiny mob, which resulted in the killing of Guard Waldrup, were today held to the grand jury.

Killed His Neighbor.

Pawnee City, Neb., Jan. 4.—Following a quarrel over a roadway Frank Fritch, a farmer, today shot and killed his neighbor, Will Nunemaker.

HANNA'S VICTORY

His Followers Organize the House of the Ohio Legislature.

PRICE GRACEFULLY ACCEPTS

Defeated Candidate Declares For Hanna and Eulogizes McKinnon.

Columbus, Jan. 4.—In the republican caucuses this evening for the organization of the general assembly the Hanna forces control the house and the Foraker forces the senate. Some of the nominations for the latter were made without opposition, but there was a close fight for the house, especially for the speakership. There was no compromise in either case. In the senate the senators make up the standing committees for themselves. In the house the speaker appoints all committees and the contest was primarily for the speakership with everything else secondary. The republican senate caucus was short but the house caucus lasted several hours. Representative Cole in presenting the name of W. S. McKinnon for speaker denied that McKinnon's election could be construed as a humiliation of Senator Foraker whose re-election all desired.

Representative Guerin, in presenting the name of Aaron E. Price for speaker, repeated the statement that Price had been endorsed originally by both senators and other republican leaders.

McKinnon was nominated over Price on the first ballot by a vote of 38 to 30. After McKinnon's address of acceptance Price was called out and made the sensational speech of the day by nominating and declaring himself for Hanna for re-election to the senate two years hence. Price said he found it easier to get pledges than votes and eulogized Hanna and McKinnon, to whom he credited his defeat, as men of the highest character. A. G. Comings of Oberlin, one of the Hanna leaders, was nominated without opposition for speaker pro tem.

Burges L. McElery was nominated for re-election as chief clerk of the house over H. V. Speelman on the first ballot by a vote of 43 to 25. The Foraker representatives made their last hard stand for Zolsman, the other nominations being made without much opposition.

In the senate republican caucus most of the time was devoted to the selection of the committee to apportion the standing committees. F. B. Archer was nominated for president pro tem without opposition. F. E. Scooby was nominated for chief clerk over W. B. Uhl by a vote of 14 to 7.

While no concessions were made in the senate, the nominations included only one pronounced Hanna man, Richard Lynch, the enrolling clerk.

RIOTING IN SPAIN

Working Men and Women Parading the Streets of Barcelona.

Madrid, Jan. 4.—Martial law will be proclaimed tonight in Barcelona and vicinity. A general strike in all the trades has been decreed in support of the striking metal workers. Bodies of strikers are constantly parading the streets, pelting workshops and factories with stones, necessitating the calling out of cavalry to restore order.

The police at Barcelona are guarding the suburban tramway cars which have to run the gauntlet of a volley of rocks. There has been a large influx of people into Barcelona and surrounding villages, and socialists and anarchists are active in the organization of attacks on the factories, which have been compelled to close.

A well known woman anarchist, Theresa Claremont, is among the persons arrested. At a meeting of workwomen during the night it was decided to strike for a reduction to nine hours work per day and support the male strikers. Women are now prominent in all street demonstrations.

Sheriff Murdered

Casper, Wyo., Jan. 4.—Sheriff Ricker of Natrona county, who was pursuing the Woodward brothers and two other escaped prisoners, was murdered in cold blood. When he reached the Woodward ranch he was shot down and dragged into the barn, where he was robbed of his valuables, his head beaten in and a bullet fired into his brain. One of his deputies is reported to have joined the outlaws and fled with them to the mountains. Over one hundred men are now on the trail of the outlaws.

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CASTRO UP AGAINST IT

Revolution On Every Hand and His Government Without Money.

Willemstad, Island Curacao, Jan. 4.—The armed revolutionary steamer Liberator, it is believed here, has launched an expedition near Barcelona, Venezuela. Advice received from Curacao show that the Venezuelan government is without news of the movements of the Liberator. The vessels composing the Venezuelan fleet are without coal, besides their engines are out of order, therefore, President Castro's ships could not put to sea in search for the Liberator. About 1,500 partisans of General Riera, the Venezuelan revolutionary leader, are awaiting his arrival near Coro, Venezuela. When Riera arrives it is intended to set the country in a blaze of revolt. Six other bands of insurgents, raised by General Mendez and others, are under arms, but they are avoiding coming into conflict with the government troops until they receive reinforcements, arms and ammunition. The Venezuelan government is without money, vainly trying to buy war supplies in New York. It is further asserted that the employees of the government of Venezuela have been without pay for six months and are only awaiting a favorable opportunity to take part in the revolt against Castro.

Later in the day it was reported that the Liberator anchored last evening at Machurucuto, a small port situated between Rio Chico and Uchirem, and that three Venezuelan war vessels received orders to start immediately for Machurucuto to endeavor to capture the revolutionary vessel. It also became known later today that General Riera left this island Thursday to join the insurgent forces on the coast near Vela De Coro, and doubtless was unable to land on Venezuelan soil, for he returned unexpectedly to Curacao this morning. The French cruiser D'Estrees has arrived here.

ALASKA FALLS DOWN

Gold Production Was Less This Year Than Last.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The preliminary estimate of Roberts, director of the mint, on the production of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar year 1901, indicates only a slight gain over the production of the preceding year. The yield in Alaska fell off by about one million dollars; Colorado made a slight gain in gold and other products were nearly stationary. The yield of silver exceeded that the previous year by about two million fine ounces. The total number of ounces of fine gold were 3,880,578, value, \$80,218,800. The number of fine ounces of silver produced were 59,633,788, commercial value \$35,732,200. The coinage value of silver was approximately \$77,000,000.

Michigan produced \$29,000 of gold and 102 ounces fine ounces of silver.

South Dakota produced \$6,610,800 in gold and 344,130 fine ounces of silver.

DUEL RESULTED FATALLY

German Lieutenant Kills a Student of Halle University

Jena, Duchy of Saxe-Weimar Eisenach, Germany, Jan. 4.—Lieutenant Thieme of the Ninety-fourth regiment, killed a student named Held of Halle university in a duel here today. The encounter was the outcome of a quarrel on New Year's day when Held assaulted Thieme. The latter was slightly wounded in the duel.

Liberty Bell Starts South.

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—The historic Liberty bell, which will be placed on exhibition at the Charleston exposition, was taken from Independence hall this afternoon to the Pennsylvania railroad station, where it will remain guarded until Monday morning when it will start on its journey south. The bell was accompanied to the station by a military escort, a committee of the council and heads of the various city departments.

She Wasn't Worth It.

Kansas City, Jan. 4.—Rather than allow his wife's alleged waywardness to be made public in a trial, Charles Hudshelp, in the criminal court here today, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the fourth degree and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Hudshelp shot and killed Charles Curry last September because of the charge that Curry had enticed his wife away and ruined his home.

They Did Bravely.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Adjutant General Corbin today received from General Chaffee, at Manila, a copy of the general order issued at Culluyog, Samar, by Colonel Charles F. Rob, Ninth infantry, warmly eulogizing the conduct of company C, Ninth infantry, on the occasion of the disastrous affair at Balangiga, when that company was nearly wiped out of existence.

From the Klondike.

Seattle, Jan. 4.—The schooner Norman Sande, of the local fishing fleet, is a total wreck on Five Fingers Island, Alaska. Captain John Daniels and his crew of four men have not been reported. The steamer Dolphin arrived today and brought the news of the wreck.

Three northwest mounted police were drowned at Sticken Rapids Dec. 29 by the overturning of their canoe.

UNKNOWN VESSEL

Which Struck Steamer Walla Walla, May Have Gone to the Bottom.

WALLA WALLA'S DEATH LIST

Is Not Large But Many Persons Are Not Yet Accounted For.

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—It is not yet known how many persons perished in the wreck of the steamer Walla Walla. The most conservative statement places the number of dead at ten and includes 29 in the list of the missing.

There are still on the ocean so far as known two rafts. If either of these are picked up the number of supposed victims will be materially decreased. Sixty-two passengers and crew were picked up and landed at Eureka by the steam schooner Dispatch, twenty-three survivors drifted ashore near Trinidad and seventeen others were rescued by the tug Ranger. Captain Hall thinks some of the missing may yet be heard from. The fact that the bark which caused the disaster did not stand by to aid the Walla Walla indicates that she must have been seriously disabled, if indeed, she remains afloat. Her identity is not known.

Tonight it is said that the dead and missing from the wrecked steamship number fifty-three. The known number dead is eight, twenty passengers and 25 of the crew missing. The known dead: MRS. HERMAN KOTSCHMAR, passenger.

JOHN WILSON, quartermaster. WILLIAM BARTEN, fireman. DROLY (or L. H. Drub), passenger.

FOUR UNKNOWN MEN.

The passengers unaccounted for are: J. L. Field, J. A. Gray, Charles Naff, D. Allen, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. L. Johnson, W. B. Moore, L. M. Hanselman, M. C. Marshall, Harrickson, wife and three children, J. Brown, N. Jones, C. F. Spencer, L. Drube, G. Nicholson, A. Hanson.

The crew unaccounted for: P. Nelson, first officer; F. L. Lupp, second officer; George Hildron, third officer; C. R. Brown, fourth officer; J. Ollie, watchman; John English, quartermaster; R. Somers, seaman; E. L. Nuttman, purser; Joe Crosby, chief engineer; B. F. Potter, second assistant engineer; W. P. Donlands, waiter; J. Rooney, fireman; G. Gore, D. Gallagher and John Callahan, coal passers; J. Connell, steward; Mrs. M. Reynolds, stewardess; S. Murrelo, third cook; Frank Reardon, porter; John Rhode, mess boy; I. Hollaway, T. B. Williams, J. Johnson and Ed Reiss, all waiters. The list of saved includes 51 passengers and 55 of the crew.

Advices received by the Pacific Coast Steamship company say that two of the missing lifeboats arrived last night north of Trinidad and seventeen people landed from them. This leaves one lifeboat and two rafts yet to be accounted for.

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—The steamer Nome City arrived tonight with six survivors of the wrecked steamer Walla Walla. They include five of the crew and one passenger. They were picked up off Trinidad Island from a life raft. The names follow:

THE MAX IN COLLISION.

Neah Bay, Wash., Jan. 4.—The steam collier Washtena, just arrived, reports being in company with the French bark Max off Cape Mendocino on January 2. The Max reported being in a collision with a large passenger steamer four miles out. The Max had three holes stove in the bow and the stem was bent to port, but no lives were lost on the bark. It is probable the passenger steamer was the Walla Walla. The Max was bound from Havre from San Francisco in ballast.

To Buy Everett-Moore Holdings

Cincinnati, Jan. 4.—A company is being formed by local capitalists with a capital stock of five millions, to buy the Everett-Moore holdings in the Detroit United railway. The movement is being engineered by the brokerage firm of W. R. Todd & Co. Considerable eastern and Detroit capital has been pledged.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Illinois—Fair; warmer Sunday and Monday; fair except probably rain and warmer in the extreme south portions; winds mostly fresh south.

LOCAL WEATHER.

The following is a record of the temperature for the twenty-four hours ending Saturday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Conrad, government observer:

7 a. m. 12 Highest 32 Noon 28 Lowest 7 P. m. 24

Our Sale a Success

And no wonder at the prices at which goods are selling. The buying public has learned that a cut with us IS a cut and that the knife goes into prices. Our immense sales of yesterday is proof positive that the people appreciate the prices made them. GET INTO LINE and come and you will go away convinced

..ONE-HALF OFF..

THE PLAINLY MARKED PRICE ON EVERY

MAN'S, BOY'S OR CHILD'S ODD SUIT OR OVERCOAT IN THE HOUSE.

Any Man's Odd Overcoat that sold for \$20 Now	\$10
Any Man's Odd Overcoat that sold for \$15 Now	\$7.50
Any Man's Odd Overcoat that sold for \$10 Now	\$5
Any Man's Odd Suit that sold for \$20 Now	\$10
Any Man's Odd Suit that sold for \$15 Now	\$7.50
Any Man's Odd Suit that sold for \$10 Now	\$5
Any Boys' Odd Suit or Overcoat that sold for \$15 Now	\$7.50
Any Boy's Odd Suit or Overcoat that sold for \$10 Now	\$5
Any Boy's Odd Suit or Overcoat that sold for \$8 Now	\$4

20 PER CENT.

..OR..

ONE-FIFTH OFF

ON ALL

Furnishing Goods
Overalls,
Working Shirts,
Underwear,
Gloves, etc.

25 per cent. or one-fourth off
THE PLAINLY MARKED PRICE OF EVERY

Man's, Boy's or Child's Suit or Overcoat in the house. This includes everything, nothing reserved. You cannot realize what this means until you see the stock.

The pick of any Man's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$20 Now	\$15
The pick of any Man's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$15 Now	\$11.25
The pick of any Man's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$10 Now	\$7.50
The pick of any Boy's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$15 Now	\$11.25
The pick of any Boy's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$12 Now	\$9
The pick of any Boy's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$8 Now	\$6
The pick of any Child's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$5 Now	\$3.75
The pick of any Child's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$4 Now	\$3
The pick of any Child's Suit or Overcoat that sold at \$3 Now	\$2.25

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Special Bargains
in all goods in our
line this week.

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& Co.
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Main Street.

DR. TAYLOR HOME

President of University Returned From West Yesterday.

President A. R. Taylor returned Saturday from Emporia, Kansas, where he spent the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. A. S. Newman. Mrs. Taylor will remain till about the first of February.

On January 2nd Dr. Taylor attended the meeting of the State Teachers' association at Lincoln, Neb., and made three addresses, on the following subjects: "What Constitutes Scientific Teaching," "Vertical Correlation," and "The Object of a Retention." Over 1200 teachers were in attendance.

Dr. Taylor spent last Friday in Marshall, Mo., visiting the Missouri Valley college and made a short address to the students at the noon recess.

Mr. Miller of the firm of Miller & Patton, architects for The Millikin University, will be in the city Monday and at the regular meeting of the board of control Monday night will present final draughts of the plans and specifications for the first group of buildings.

Miss French, who has been spending her vacation in Chicago, has returned home.

A BIG PRICE PAID

For a Farm of Eighty Acres in Hickory Point Township

JESSE SIBTHORP THE BUYER

Paid \$110.25 Per Acre for the Tract—He Will Give It to His Eldest Son.

What is probably the highest price ever paid for farm land in Macon county was bid Saturday and that under circumstances when the land was certainly not expected to bring any more than its market value. The belief is general that property sold under the hammer does not bring a price as high as when sold at private sale, but the experience of Saturday proves that that idea is not always the correct one. The price depends upon the desire of the bidder and his ability to pay the price. Under a decree of the circuit court on Saturday afternoon, Master in Chancery J. J. Finn sold eighty acres of land half a mile north of Bearvale in Hickory Point township. Alex McIntosh acted as auctioneer. There were three men present at the sale who felt that they could use that farm to good advantage. They were Jesse Sibthorp, Captain Taggart and William Ritchie. The first named was the successful bidder. The first bid was \$75 and the bidding was spirited until after the \$100 mark had been passed. At least one man had gone to the sale with the avowed intention of paying more than \$100 per acre if necessary for the farm and that price did not stagger him. Some of the men who looked on were fairly amazed when the land was knocked down to Jesse Sibthorp at \$110.25 per acre. That no doubt is the top price ever paid in Macon county under like circumstances. It is said that Mr. Sibthorp intends the farm for his eldest son.

A New Record

If any repertoire company playing a week's stand in Decatur outdoes the drawing power of the Grace Hayward company as demonstrated at the opera house in this city the last week, they will do more than Manager Given expects. There were two night in the last week when the attendance was a little below the capacity of the house. Every other night there was standing room only. If the attendance is figured at an average of the house capacity for six nights, the number attending was over eight thousand and that does not include the attendance at two matinees, both of which were well attended. The results have been gratifying to the company, to the management of the house, and decidedly so to the people who saw the entertainments.

Will Redecorate

Landlord Stearns of the Decatur hotel has let the contracts for the redecoration of the hotel office. The work will begin on Monday morning and will be more elaborate than the old style.

Ceramic Club

The Ceramic club meets Wednesday with Miss Kate Quinlan.

BUSINESS AND OTHERWISE

Cash gets green stamps on coal of Metc.

The Decatur Hospital Aid society will hold a bakery sale of canned goods, pastry and other dainty entables in the Arcade building Saturday afternoon. In the evening they will have a sale of the articles left from their recent fair, including several musical instruments.

Join Tomorrow Night.

New month begins tomorrow night at Mrs. Cassell's dancing academy, Guards Armory. Come up at 7:30 and put down your name. Two lessons a week for the month at one price. Assembly as usual, from 9 to 12.

Spiritual Meeting.

Spiritual meeting. Lecture by Mrs. A. E. Kibby, followed by psychic tests, at G. A. R. hall at 7:45 p. m. Admission, 10 cents.

Grand Ball

will be given by the Teamsters' union, No. 75, Friday, January 17, 1902, at the Sons of Veterans hall. Admission, 50c.

Vandalla Line Excursions.

The "Van" line will sell tickets to points in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia and Florida. Good until May 31, 1902, and commencing Nov. 1, to points in Texas and southwest. And as first and third Tuesdays homeseekers' northwest, southwest and southeast good for twenty-one days.

One way settlers' tickets to southeast on first and third Tuesdays of each month.

All the year round tourist tickets to Mexico, California and northwest points, good for nine months, with stop-over privileges.

For tickets, call on
T. PENNIWELL,
P. and T. A., 110 E. William St.

DENZ, Leading Tailor.

JUSTICE COURTS.

A peculiar suit will come up Wednesday in the Christian county court at Taylorville. Mrs. Mary Kelley sues Charles Malhot et al for \$5000 for causing the death of her husband about a year ago. Mr. Kelley, it is claimed, became intoxicated in the saloons of the defendants and was put out of one of them while in that condition. He wandered over to the Wabash right of way and was struck by a train and killed. The widow now sues the saloon keepers. C. C. Leforge of this city is assisting Frank Drennan in the prosecution and Hogan, Drennan, McQuinn and State's Attorney Humphreys will appear for the defense. More than 125 witnesses have been subpoenaed and the case promises to be interesting.

The forcible entry and detainer suit of Henry R. Gillespie vs. A. M. Garver came up for trial before Justice McCoy Saturday and was taken on a change of venue to Justice Haue's court. Gillespie sued for possession of a barn which Garver had rented. Garver fought the case and while he admitted owing two months' rent wanted to present a counter claim for repairs which he had made on the structure. It was shown that he had not been instructed to make these so his bill was not allowed and judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff for possession of the barn and the costs were assessed against the defendant.

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SOCIALLY SPEAKING.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Tuttle were aroused from peaceful repose last night, when about twenty couples of their married friends called to "warm up" the new house into which they have only recently moved. Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle have been married eight years, but have never kept house, and those more experienced in that line came last night with cabbage, pumpkins and canned goods to put them on the right track toward success. With the assistance of Miss Fern at the piano, the house was quickly transformed and a general old-fashioned "house warming" took place. The guests brought their own refreshments and they made a bountiful spread, of which all the guests partook heartily. The dancing was continued until a late hour.

Harry Zetterlind was pleasantly surprised Friday night at his home on South Water street by about twenty friends, who assembled to celebrate his 19th birthday. The evening was enjoyed with music and games and refreshments were served.

About fifteen friends of Louis Schario celebrated his birthday in pleasant fashion at his home, on North Mercer street, Friday night. The occasion was his 32d birthday and his wife arranged a surprise party for him. Games and dancing formed the amusements of the evening and refreshments were served. Mr. Schario was presented with a handsome rocking chair by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Farmer entertained a few friends at their home, on North Main street, Friday night, in honor of Mr. Farmer's birthday. The evening was spent with music and cards after which refreshments were served.

Miss Clara Baker entertained about fifteen friends at her home, on North Union street, Friday night, in honor of her 19th birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent with music and games and Miss Baker was presented with a beautiful ring set with opals and pearls by the guests. Refreshments were served.

Miss Stella Jenkins entertained the Card Club Saturday afternoon at her home, on West William street. The occasion was a most delightful one and about thirty ladies were present. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. C. L. Brooke entertained a few young people at her home, on North Church street, in honor of Miss Bonnie Bartholomew of St. Louis, who is the guest of Mrs. Emma P. Warren. Six-hand euchre was the amusement of the evening and at 11 o'clock the party went to Broder's Cafe, on North Main street, where refreshments were served.

Ticket Thieves Arrested.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—James Roddy, colored, confessed today that he had taken part on Thursday night in the theft of 620 railroad tickets worth \$20,000. The tickets were the property of the Chicago & Northwestern railway for use between St. Paul and points west. The package was stolen out of an American express wagon. James Roddy, alias William Jones, and John Lewis were arrested while trying to sell the tickets. The remainder were found concealed under a stairway in a saloon. Ninety-seven are still missing.

Sale of seats for Booker T. Washington begins in the morning at King's drug store

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Ella Edwards, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Hatfield, for the past two weeks, returned to her home in Farmer City Friday.

Miss Flossie Huff, who has been spending the week with Miss Marie Mooney, returned Saturday to her home in Urbana, Ill.

Herbert Wilkins, who has for the past few months been traveling with the "Old Dan Tucker" company, arrived home to spend a few days with his parents. He has left the show business and will not return.

H. C. McCloud, representing the Smith-Premier company of Chicago, was in the city Saturday on business.

Miss Katie Hamilton, teacher of the Fourth grade at Jasper street school, returned home from Jacksonville yesterday to resume her duties at the school Monday.

Ed Patterson will leave for Chicago Monday to resume his work, after spending the holiday with friends in this city.

George Allen left for Chicago last night to spend a few days with friends.

Miss Nora Apple has returned home after an extended visit with friends at Thomas, Ia.

Miss Cora Carter has resigned her position as stenographer in the office of J. M. Gray and F. W. Caldwell and will leave about the fifteenth for Peoria where she will take a similar position in the offices of the Avery Manufacturing Co.

RAILROAD NEWS

John B. Mallon, who for the past three and one-half years has discharged the duties of freight agent of the Illinois Central at Mattoon, has been transferred to Champaign, which is considered a much better position with a much better salary attached.

At Mattoon it is rumored that the agent at Gilman will succeed Mr. Mallon.

F. J. Bechely has decided definitely to accept the position of trainmaster at Dubuque, Iowa.—Clinton Public.

The Illinois Central will build a greenhouse at Champaign. A part of the framework and 600 cases of glass is already on the ground and the work will begin at once.

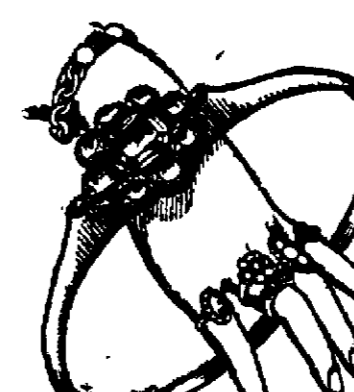
CONDITION IS SERIOUS.

The many friends of Engineer Ed McCormick will regret to hear that he is not recovering from the result of his recent injuries in the wreck at Springfield. Mrs. McCormick, who is with her husband at his mother's home in Springfield, writes today that her husband had three ribs broken on one side and three crushed on the other. One of his lungs sustained a concussion which causes him much suffering. Mrs. McCormick thinks that her husband cannot be moved for several days and will remain with him in Springfield.—Clinton Public.

STRUCK BY FAST TRAIN

Two Men Were Killed By a C. & A. At Lincoln

Lincoln, Ill., Jan. 4.—A milk wagon of the state institution for the Feeble Minded was struck by a Chicago & Alton passenger train tonight and both occupants, Edward Brown and Bentley Zaniers, killed.



RINGS

Ranging from the plainest gold band to the most ornate finger circlet imaginable, encrusted with sparkling diamonds, rosy rubies, opals, pearls or other glittering gems. They're all here, to suit every taste, every purse.

Diamonds of the finest quality at the lowest price. We have the best selected stock in the city. Every stone is mounted in our own shop. We can therefore guarantee the weight.

We have full cut diamond rings from

\$5.00 to \$500.00

H. Post & Son.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Flour and Provisions.

Chicago, January 4—
Flour—Slow, little change.
Wheat—Good trade, higher.
January..... 70c to 70 1/2
May..... 83 1/2 to 84 1/2
Corn—Improved trade, 1/2 to 3/4 higher.
January..... 64 1/2 to 65 1/2
May..... 67 1/2 to 68 1/2
Oats—Active, higher.
January..... 45 1/2 to 46 1/2
May..... 46 1/2 to 47 1/2
Rye 69 1/2 to 70 1/2
Barley 57 1/2 to 58 1/2
Flax \$1.60 to 1.65 Timothy, \$6.60 to \$6.80
Clover \$6.75 to 7.00

PROVISIONS

Pork, Jan \$18.85 May \$17.87 to \$18.85
Lard, Jan \$9.90 to \$10.00 May \$9.97 to \$10.00
Ribs Jan \$8.55 to \$8.60 May \$8.52 to \$8.60
Short clear sides, \$8.90 to 9.00

PRODUCE

Butter, steady, creameries, 15c to 24c;
dairies, 14c to 20c
Eggs, firm, 24c to 25

DRESSED POULTRY

Market firm.
Turkeys 8 1/2 to 11c Chickens, 7c to 9c

How Prices Fluctuated.

Following is the range of options, with yesterday's closing:

Open	High	Low	Clos	Yes
Wheat—				
Jan 78 1/2	79	78 1/2	79	78 1/2
May 82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2
July 82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2
Oct—				
Jan 64 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2
May 67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2
July 67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2
Oct—				
Jan 44 1/2	45 1/2	44 1/2	45 1/2	44 1/2
May 47 1/2	48 1/2	47 1/2	48 1/2	47 1/2
July 47 1/2	48 1/2	47 1/2	48 1/2	47 1/2
Oct—				
Jan 17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
May 17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
July 17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Oct—				
Jan 9.95	10.00	9.92 1/2	9.97 1/2	9.95
May 9.95	10.00	9.92 1/2	9.97 1/2	9.95
July 9.95	10.00	9.92 1/2	9.97 1/2	9.95
Oct—				

Receipts and Shipments.

	Receipts	Shipments
Flour, bbls.....	62,000	38,000
Wheat, bushels.....	89,000	61,000
Corn, bushels.....	242,000	108,000
Oats, bushels.....	245,000	170,000

Grain At Peoria.

Peoria, January 4—
Corn—firm.
No 3..... 64 1/2 to 65 1/2
Oats—firm.
No 3 white..... 47 1/2 to 48 1/2

Grain At St. Louis.

St. Louis, January 4—
Wheat—easy.
Wheat cash, 88 1/2 to 89 1/2
Corn, cash, 67c to 68c
Oats, cash, 48c to 49c

Live Stock Prices.

Chicago, January 4—
Receipts 400.

Market steady.	
Beef, good to prime.....	\$5.50 to 7.50
Beef, poor to medium.....	4.00 to 6.25
Cows.....	1.25 to 4.75
Texans.....	3.00 to 4.90
Stockers.....	2.00 to 4.25
Hogs—Receipts, 23,000.	
Market, strong.	
Heavy.....	\$6.40 to \$6.70
Light.....	6.00 to 6.25
Mixed.....	5.00 to 6.65
Sheep—Receipts, 2,000.	
Market, steady.	
Sheep.....	3.50 to 5.00
Lambs, steady to higher.	
Lambs.....	8.50 to 6.25

In biliousness, HERBINE, by expelling from the body the excess of bile and acids, improves the assimilative processes, purifies the blood, and tones up and strengthens the entire system. Price 50c. Sold by John E. King and Frank W. Sweeting.

that a remedy recommended to cure only Rheumatism or gout must be reliable. Such a remedy is HERBINE'S Prescription. FOUR THOUSAND. It only cures Rheumatism or Gout \$1 a bottle. For sale by all druggists.

THE CLUB WOMEN

Meet and Hear Paper On Pensioning Teachers by Mrs. George Haworth.

HIGHER SALARIES SUGGESTED

Does Not Favor Pensioning the Teachers—Club Votes \$100 to the Citizens' Committee—The Calendar.

The January meeting of the Woman's club, was held Saturday afternoon at the club rooms. Sorosis division entertained. The literary part of the program consisted of a paper by Mrs. George Haworth upon "Pensioning Teachers." Mrs. Haworth made a study of the subject for Sorosis division and the paper was read for the benefit of the members of the other divisions. She spoke somewhat as follows:

"This question which is agitating especially the teachers of Cook county, is not a new one nor is it one which is confined to this country. It forms the topic of an interesting discussion in France." She went on to make a comparison as to salaries and the condition in teachers in the United States and in France where there is a good system of state pensions. Two-thirds of all the French teachers receive between \$200 and \$250 annually while only the most learned may attain a salary of \$1000.

Mrs. Haworth then gave an account of conditions in states of Europe and this country where a system of pensions prevails and in conclusion said:

"On beginning my investigation of this subject I started with the firm impression that I was in favor of state pensions for teachers, but the more I read concerning the pensioning of teachers in public schools in this and other countries, the more I became opposed to any pension at all unless it be a self imposed one, such as different societies and unions have established. But I am decidedly in favor of better pay for the teachers, especially in the graded schools."

"High school teachers, especially in larger cities, are well paid. Their salaries will average well with the salaries of those employed in skilled labor. A state pension will always be subject to abuse and the recipient be given, or imagine, a cause for complaint. The soil of a republic, it seems to me, is not adapted to such a dependent growth. We need to foster the independent idea of a fair day's wage for a fair day's work and let experience teach the saving that the dollar may the sooner be ours."

"We do not want any 'delayed payments,' as some of its friends are willing that the pension should be called, but that the public shall discharge its full duty toward the employee when the service is performed, as in other business, and let the obligation cease then."

The business meeting, which followed Mrs. Haworth's paper, was one of the most important lately held by the club. The amendments proposed at the last general meeting were adopted, four of them unanimously. In substance they make the following provisions:

For an admission fee of \$1 to be paid by all new members.

For an annual division in October of each year of the funds in the treasury exceeding \$150 among the different divisions. Such sum to be equally apportioned among the divisions instead of per capita as heretofore. Also when any division shall give an entertainment for which an admission is charged the proceeds shall go to the treasury of the division instead of to the general fund.

That each member of the club may propose any number of names for membership each year instead of only one.

The last amendment specifies the duties of the corresponding secretary.

A request from the Citizens Reform league that the club pledge \$100 to aid in the work of the league was presented and a resolution adopted pledging that sum. The directors were severally appointed to attend to raising a proportion of the amount in each division. If it is not all secured in this way the remainder will be made up from the reserve fund left from the entertainment fund for the state federation meeting.

The traveling library committee reported the library at Warrensburg during the past two months. The committee solicits donations of standard books to equip another library.

A civil service committee was appointed to cooperate with a similar committee of the state federation in interesting the club and the public schools in the subject of civil service reform.

It was decided to hold a convention of the Woman's club of the 19th congressional district in this city during the last week in March. There are sixteen clubs in the new district and they will be invited to send representatives here at that time to assist in forming a district federation.

It was decided to hear a report each month from the Woman's club building stock company, of which the club is a stockholder.

The club will give an entertainment on the evening of January 24th at the Elks' club rooms in the Powers building. The entertainment will be for club members and their families only. Mrs. H. Corlone Johnson has been engaged to give a program of negro folk lore and songs. After the program there will be a reception for the new members who have joined since September 5th. The committee in charge of the arrangements consists of Mrs. Frank D. Caldwell, Mrs. A. T. Summers and Mrs. J. T. Ward.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

The work of the various divisions of the club which has been somewhat interrupted during the holidays will be re-

SOAP SALE!

100 Cases of Best Star Laundry Soap, Special for This Week—15 BARS FOR 25c.

WM. GUSHARD & CO.

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY

AT 2½c PER YARD.

For This Week we will place on sale 12,000 yards of regular 5c Calico, at A YARD 2½c.

Bargains for This Week Greater Than Ever

WE WILL PLACE ON SALE THIS WEEK, SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.

Read each item carefully. Come and investigate and we will save you money.

Great Silk Sale.

500 yards of fancy silks suitable for fine waists and trimmings, nothing in this lot sold for less than 75c and 80c a yard, come this week and take your choice at a yard 59c

Remnants of Silks.

After our enormous silk sale for the holidays we find that we have about 200 short remnants ranging from ½ yard to 1½ yards in length and nothing that sold for less than 69c, 75c and 98c a yard. Come this week and take your choice at a yard 49c

At 89c a yard.

Our best \$1.00 quality of Black Satin Duchess, 24 in. wide, for this sale only, yard 89c

At 98c a yard.

250 yards of the best 27-inch black satin in Duchess, worth in any house, \$1.25 a yard, for this sale, this week, at a yard 98c

Greatest bargains ever offered in dress goods

At 98c a yard.

To close the year with two noted days of bargains were will for this week at our Dress Goods counter offer you such as never before, including all the new weaves, camels hair suitings, Scotch chevrons, hop sackings, broadcloths, and fine double warp chevrons, width range from 48 to 54 in. wide. Choice of any of these elegant cloths at a yard 98c

At 69c a yard.

54-in. Novelties and fancies, Homespuns, Yencitans, and all of the latest productions, elegant plain and check line skirtings, goods that are worth 85c, 98c and \$1.25 a yard for this sale at Gushard's for this week, at a yard 69c

At 39c a yard.

10 pieces of heavy Golf Skirtings, 30 inches wide, worth in every store, 50c a yard. Choice of these pieces at a yard 39c

38c Fine Waist Flannels for 25c a yd. 10 pieces of elegant striped Waist Flannels, goods that are actually worth 39c a yard, the newest fabric out, in blue, green, old rose, gray and tan, for this sale this week, choice at a yard 25c

To reduce our linen department before we invoice we will offer some unmatched bargains in Damask bed spreads and towels, for this week at Gushard's.

At 98c a yard.

72-inch fine Satin Bleached double loom Damask, regular \$1.25 value for this sale only, at a yd 98c

At 75c a yard.

70-inch fine Bleached Damask, worth in any linen department, \$1 a yard. For this sale at Gushard's, at a yard 75c

At 57c a yard.

10 pieces of extra fine Bleached Damask, worth 75c a yd., for this sale, at a yard 57c

Special Bargains in Hosiery at 10c a pair.

100 doz. of ladies' fleeced lined and plain black cotton hose at a pair 10c

Ladies' fine black cashmere wool hose at 50c, 35c and 25c

Hosiery for children in almost every conceivable weight, fleeced lined and cotton hosiery, all sizes, from 4 to 10, at 25c, 17c, 15c, 12½c, 10c and 7½c a pair.

Broken lines of Underwear to close out for less than first cost.

30 doz. Gents' heavy fleeced lined shirts and drawers, worth 75c a garment, but for this sale this week at Gushard's they go for a garment 39c

50 doz. children's heavy ribbed fleeced lined shirts and drawers, all sizes, from 20 to 34, worth 25c a garment, but for this great sale this week at Gushard's the go for a garment 15c

BLANKETS-- Cotton or Wool.

Our Blanket stock is entirely too large and to reduce it we must put before the public some temptations. Fine all wool, size 11-4 blanket, worth \$7.50 to close out on this sale, pair \$5.98

Fine all wool blankets, worth \$5 in any house, for this sale this week, pair \$3.98

We will offer our entire line of 10-4 and 11-13 blankets, heavy fleeced, ranging from \$1.50 to 50c a pair.

We Give

RELIABLE GREEN

Trading Stamps!

Ask for them.



Specials in the Cloak Department for This Sale--1 lot of three-quarter length coats in oxfords and blacks, a \$10 value, price as long as they last, \$5.00. All our finest three-quarter and full length coats put in one lot to close them out. About 65 fine coats in all styles and colors in prices ranging from \$18.50 to \$35.00, this sale price, choice, \$15.00. Here is an opportunity to buy a very fine garment at a very reasonable price.

Special Cape Sale--About 75 fine silk seal plush capes left. They are all good lengths and to close out this lot we make a very special price. For this sale, \$5.98. Remember if you want a cape this is an opportunity not to be missed.

A Special in our Wrapper Department--All our fleeced lined wrappers at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2 we close at one price this sale, 98c.

Great Millinery Bargains--We mean to close out every trimmed hat in our department in this sale regardless of cost. \$15.00 hats for \$3.50, \$5.00 hats for \$1.98, \$2.50 hats for 98c, \$1.25 street hats for 25c, 75c caps for 25c. If you are looking for a fine hat for little money don't fail to visit our Millinery Department and we will show you the greatest bargains ever offered in Decatur. Call early as they will not last long at these prices.--WM. GUSHARD & CO.

THE INTER-URBAN

Proposed Between Bloomington and Decatur, Is Not an Everett-Moore Scheme.

ASKING FRANCHISES NOW

Cincinnati Enquirer Tells One of the Reasons Which May Have Caused Trouble For E. M. Syndicate.

H. W. Knight, who has been looking after the preliminary work necessary to the promotion of the inter-urban electric road between Decatur and Bloomington, said Saturday that on Monday night the franchise ordinance for the right of way would be presented to the city council in Clinton. During the current week ordinances will also be presented to the village boards in Heyworth and Wapella.

Mr. Knight said that it was likely that within the next few weeks the council in Decatur would be asked to grant the company a right of way through this city. He is of the opinion that this ordinance will be presented in Decatur not later than Feb. 3, the date of the first meeting held that month. Before that ordinance is presented it is likely that C. P. Griffin of Toledo, who is said to be the principal financial backer of the enterprise, will visit this city and arrange some details.

The belief is that the Bloomington council will be asked to grant an ordinance before that action is taken in Decatur.

Some persons have confounded the Everett-Moore syndicate of Ohio with the company which proposes to construct the line between Decatur and Bloomington. While not in any way antagonistic, they are not in any way connected in their projects.

The people of Decatur have some interest in the affairs of the tangled E. M. syndicate, because this city was one of their proposed lines. The Everett-Moore company had planned to build a line from Bloomington to Springfield and from the latter city to Decatur. There have been many stories of the reason why the E. M. syndicate got into financial trouble, but the Cincinnati Enquirer repeats a prediction made some time ago and asserts that that prediction outlines the true cause.

The E. M. syndicate was operating many inter-urban lines in Ohio and planned many more. One of the proposed lines was the Lake Shore Electric. That was to parallel the Lake Shore steam road, owned by the Vanderbilts. It is said that the boast of the electric people was

APPRECIATES AND ADMIRES.

The Bounty of J. P. Morgan Impresses Dad Stearns and He Writes a Verse.

On New Year's day J. Pierpont Morgan gave to each one of the employees of his firm a present in the shape of a check for the sum of a year's salary. For instance, the office boy, who had regularly drawn a salary of \$40 per month, received a check for \$480, with a letter saying that the firm had done twice as much business as ever before and the profits were twice as great. He believed, he said, that each employee had been compelled to do twice the amount of work, therefore the check was given in addition to the regular wages. The smallest check was for \$480 and the largest was for \$10,000. That generosity impressed Dan Stearns when he read it, and he inscribed some verses which he mailed to the millionaire, as follows:

It's only now and then a man with power yet purpose grand, Whose heart is filled with tenderness, that makes an open hand. Though he counts his wealth by millions, they've made his heart grow warm, And made his life a blessing, and not a life of harm.

A hand that never strikes a blow, that causes woe or pain, But the rather helps humanity, and sweetly shares his gain. With those who, by their fealty, have helped him win renown; His generous heart rewards them with that which is his own.

Benignance like his unique, so rarely ever seen, Like some fair tree, whose foliage is always sweet and green, Whose branches always shelter, whose leaves fade not or fall, A good, that God himself has made, a blessing unto all.

Hospital Aid Sale.

The general aid society of the Protestant hospital association conducted a very successful bakery sale in the Arcade building on Saturday. There was also a sale of the fancy articles left over from the last bazaar. At the close of the sale in the evening all the goods in stock were auctioned off to the highest bidder. On the two sales, the one conducted some time ago and the one Saturday, the ladies will clear about \$200. Mrs. J. E. King was in charge of the sale on Saturday and to her much of the credit for the success is due.

Meetings.

K. of P.—Regular meeting of En Ami lodge, No. 568 Monday evening. Installation of officers-elect. C. M. Snyder, keeper of R. and S. Sorosis meeting on Monday afternoon. No special program.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

FIRST IN TWENTY YEARS.

James B. Trull of West Chicago, brother-in-law of I. N. Cool, stopped off yesterday for a brief visit while en route to Mexico. He was a former resident of Decatur, Ill. and not visited here for twenty years.

APOLLO DANCE.

The Apollo dancing club will hold their regular semi-monthly dance on Wednesday night. The club has decided to have the Roberts' orchestra furnish the music for the dances.

YE MERRIE MAIDENS.

Fourteen young ladies of the west end of town have organized a club to be known as the "Ye Merrie Maidens." They will hold their meeting at the homes of the members semi-monthly. Progressive hearts will furnish the amusements at the meetings.

SAM QUILTS.

Metorman S. H. May, who has been connected with the Traction company for a number of years, resigned his position yesterday. Sam is undecided as to his future movements but is satisfied that he has enough of street railroading for the time.

BACK TO SCHOOL.

Shining morning faces will creep unwillingly to school again tomorrow morning. The public schools will open again after two weeks vacation.

MATINEE TOWN.

Decatur is getting to be a matinee town. The Hayward company gave two matinees during the past week and both were liberally patronized. It used to be impossible to muster a copious guard at a matinee in this town. The opera house business throughout the season has been first class, the best in several years.

FIGURING ON ASPHALT.

S. M. Scott of the Central Asphalt and Refining company of Beaumont, Texas, was in Decatur Saturday visiting friends and incidentally inspecting the market for the company's goods in Decatur. Their specialty is asphalt paint and they are now erecting a factory which will use 7,000 barrels of oil per day.

TO REDECORATE.

H. L. Oldham, manager of the Powers building, will this week let the contractors for redecorating the halls of the building. There is about a quarter of a mile of hall to be refinished, including floor, walls, ceiling and woodwork.

STOCK TRANSFERRED.

The stock of Frank Pitner in the Blaby, Pitner & Co. Mfg. Co. was Saturday transferred to his brother, Tom Pitner. There will be no change in the

style of the firm or in the conduct of the business.

The disposition of children largely depends upon health. If they are troubled with worms, they will be irritable, cross, feverish, and perhaps seriously sick. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE is a worm expeller and tonic to make them healthy and cheerful. Price 25c. Sold by John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

And now the Panama canal, which is as good as new, is offered for \$40,000,000.

What a pleasant world this would be if things we kick at wouldn't kick back! Is it not a fact that a remedy prepared to cure only Rheumatism or Gout must be reliable? Prescription FOUR THOUSAND is such and can be depended upon. \$1 a bottle at druggists.

Nikola Tesla seems to have reached that point where he is unable to invent anything else to invent.

Suffering With Rheumatism or Gout. Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND will cure you. It is made only to cure Rheumatism or Gout. For sale by druggists.

The cure that cures Rheumatism or Gout—no matter of how long standing—is Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND. Price, \$1.

Sale of seats for Booker T. Washington begins in the morning at King's drug store.

A SOLILOQUY.—(Business man after Insurance agent's exit: Protection I want; not investment. If I break a bone or become totally disabled, I need my money and I want it available. I can carry \$2,000 in the Modern American and draw \$200 if I break arm or limb; \$500 if I lose an eye, foot or hand, and \$1,000 if I lose both feet or sight, and the whole \$2,000 if I become permanently totally disabled as by loss of both hands or helpless from disease. At these figures I can save fifty per cent of my money for my business. I like the Modern American Fraternal order and I believe it has a future before it. 160 members now.—3-66

WANTED—A boy who has served some time at the barber trade to finish his apprenticeship in my shop. Call at 1144 East Eldorado street.—5-66

GRAND BALL will be given by the Teamsters' union, No. 75, Friday, Jan. 17th, 1902, at the Sons of Veterans hall. Admission 50 cents.—5-112

FOR SALE—Modern 8-room house on West Decatur street. Here is your chance to get a fine home at a reasonable price. Also a good well improved 71-acre farm near Decatur. W. F. Pickle, 157 East Main st.—5-46

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The present administration reduced the public debt \$8,000,000 in December.
Platt county republicans are getting an early start. Four candidates for sheriff, one for treasurer and one for representative are already announced.
Colonel Bryan says he will never desert the American people. The difficulty with the colonel's resolution is that the American people have formed the habit of deserting him.
What the democratic minority is commanded by means of wireless telegraphy, and by means of wireless telegraphy. It will require exceptional ability to command an army when it is marching in several different directions.
One of the best things the old year handed over to the new is the capital and labor court recently completed by the acceptance of Grover Cleveland, for the arbitration of questions between capital, labor and the people. It is the sweet and most dignified body ever organized for such a purpose and best of all it is the creation of that once misrepresented man, Mark Hanna.
MR. MADDEN'S POSTAL REFORMS
Menard Democrat: Third Assistant Postmaster General Edwin C. Madden has done valuable service to the public in cutting out from the privilege of second class postage a large number of publications that are not of right entitled to the rate. Quite naturally he has incurred the enmity and violent opposition of the publishers thus debarred, and they have sought to enlist the co-operation of the country press to secure Mr. Madden's removal from office. To do this they have stooped to wilful misrepresentation, by causing to be sent to every newspaper in the country a circular in which it is charged that the postoffice department "has ruled that a subscription to any publication entered as second class matter must be discontinued when the time for which it is paid in advance has expired." The postoffice department, in a circular to postmasters, issued Dec. 30, 1901, says the charge is untrue. The circular, which is signed by Mr. Madden, concludes as follows: "A ruling such as is represented to have been made would be unwarranted under the law."
The Democrat does not believe the rights of any legitimate newspaper are in danger of curtailment by Mr. Madden. It does believe that the legitimate press of the country will be benefited by further work along the line he has had the courage to inaugurate.

SLIGHTLY OFF THE TRACK.
The Platt County Republican, (Monticello, Ill.), is fighting heart and soul against the postoffice department in its efforts to shake off the bloodsuckers of second class postage. This is about the only legitimate and respectable newspaper, coming to this office, which takes this attitude. The abuses of second class postal matter have grown to such enormous and absurdities as to endanger the whole system of cheap postage to legitimate newspapers like the Republican, for which the cent a pound rate was introduced. The great publishers of paper-covered books have grown rich at the government's expense which means the expense of the people. The purely advertising sheets with a fake list of subscribers of a few hundred and then 50,000 or 100,000 sample copies at regular intervals have been a close second to the publishers of trashy literature. Other means of abusing the second class privilege have been numerous. A courageous and faithful postmaster general has endeavored to correct abuses and it is not strange that those who have had a special privilege long enjoyed should vote the man who proposes to save the people from their rapacity a fiend. The result is that the officers are roundly abused by these beneficiaries. Lately a postal card has been sent to all newspapers saying that any paper not insisting on pay in advance would be denied second class rates. This was merely a lie, that was all. The postmaster general has sent to the postmasters of

the country an official denial of this malicious and wilful falsehood. These great publishing houses that have been paying 1 cent per pound for what costs the government 8 cents are in Washington with barrels of money to influence congress to reverse the people's faithful servants and restore these common-ants to the rich spoils from which they have been driven.

DECATUR PUBLIC BUILDING.
There can be no question as to the necessity for better quarters for the Decatur postoffice. The building in which the postoffice is now housed is the only building, which could be secured for the purpose that is at all acceptable for the demands of the postal business done. This fact was well demonstrated when the government renewed the lease for the present building in September, 1898. At that time a government inspector was on the ground and after due consideration came to that conclusion. The government succeeded in leasing the building for \$1200 per year. Since that time the business of the office has increased in postal business alone over 20 per cent, while to this has been added a money order business of \$200,000 a year by designating the office a depository for the money order funds of 55 postoffices. With this increase in the business of the office it is quite apparent that with no side light to the building occupied, which renders it impossible to increase the number of business windows and delivery windows, the building has ceased to be fit to accommodate the patrons of the office and furnish room for the office force to do their work in the most effective way.
If a public building is not given us better quarters must be found at the expiration of the lease and this, considering the demand for business rooms, will mean an increase of rent to at least \$2,000 a year. The government can borrow money at 2 per cent. This means that the government could expend \$100,000 at least, for a public building in Decatur, and be out nothing at the first and would be gaining inside of ten years if the business of the office increases as it has in the past two years.
The Decatur postoffice at the present rents to the government over and above expenses, after paying the salaries of a dozen railway postal employees who have no connection with the postoffice, sufficient to pay for a building costing \$100,000 in less than four years.
Two years ago the treasury department after investigating the needs of the Decatur postoffice reported to congress that \$80,000 would be necessary to build an adequate building for Decatur. At that time the receipts of the office were \$53,859.09. The receipts this year were \$63,255.02, or \$9,395.93 more than in 1899, and over \$5,000 greater than in 1900. At the time the treasury department made its investigation it was estimated the business of the office would increase \$20,000 in ten years. It has increased nearly half that sum in two years and over \$15,000 in four years. These figures mean that in providing a public building for us care should be taken that it is not made too small.
Congressman Warner, though not yet representing us in congress at this time, has kindly taken charge of our interest in a public building at the request of B. F. Caldwell. Mr. Warner expresses great faith in securing the influence in such matters and with the kindly feeling of the committee on public building and grounds for Decatur as the result of the representations made before it by the local committee and the much better showing the same committee can make now there is every reason to believe congress will concede us a public building large enough for the wants of our people for the next twenty years.
In this connection it will be of interest to the readers of the Herald to have the annual receipts of the Decatur postoffice at hand for a series of years. These figures will show that the business of the office has doubled since 1889. Omitting the year 1890, the figures for which are not at hand, the postal receipts, not including the money order business, were:

	Receipts.	Gain.
1889	\$32,019.83	
1891	36,601.13	\$4,581.30
1892	41,908.95	5,207.82
1893	42,779.01	970.06
1894	43,358.18	579.14
1895	48,681.27	5,323.09
1896	46,255.70	** 2,425.57
1897	47,344.00	1,088.30
1898	50,828.81	3,484.75
1899	51,850.00	3,021.18
1900	58,032.82	4,172.82
1901	63,255.02	5,222.20

* Two years.
** Decrease.

With these figures Decatur ought to be successful in securing a public building.

THIS SALE WILL BE CONTINUED THROUGH THE ENTIRE MONTH OF JANUARY

By a Counter Sale we do not mean that we are going to sell the counters in the store, but that are going to sell thousands of dollars worth of reliable DRY GOODS, DRESS GOODS, CLOAKS, NOTIONS and SHOES that we have piled out on the counters and tables at POSITIVELY UNHEARD OF PRICES. We have just finished taking our annual inventory of stock and find that we are overstocked in many departments and must unload the goods regardless of what we get for them. Everything will be ticketed and marked in plain figures. Remember you will buy many lots of goods at 50c on the dollar of their value.

Dress Goods.
Our Dress Goods Stock is entirely too large, so we must cut the prices on every yard of Dress Goods to REDUCE OUR STOCK quickly.
75c Goods for 39c.
One lot Fine Pique Black Jacquard Dress Goods, goods in the lot always sold at 50c, 55c and 75c, but in our sale at only 39c yd.
\$1.00 Goods for 75c.
The choice of any of our best Dollar Yard Black Henriettes, Venetians, Serges, Poplins, Satin Soles and other fancy weaves of Black Dress Goods, all in our sale at only 75c yd. to reduce our stock.
35c Dress Goods for 19c.
One lot plain colors and Fancy Weave Dress Goods—have always sold at 35c, but in our sale at only 19c yd., to reduce the stock.
98c yd for \$2.00 Heavy Cloaking.
One lot heavy 54-inch (double width) heavy cloakings left from my cloak factory that we put out in our sale at only 98c yd. Cloth in the lot worth up to \$2.00 yard. Blue Boucle, Tan, Grey, Green, Brown and Blue Novelty goods in the lot.
19c for 50c yd Cloakings or Skirtings.
One lot 30 inch wide heavy Satinet cloth in Browns, Greens and Red and Blue mixed colors was used for Cloaking but can be used for making heavy skirts to be sold out at only 19c yd.
Remnants of Dress Goods.
Some slightly soiled at very low prices to close them quickly.
Table Linens.
Our Stock to be cut unmercifully in this great sale.
25c yd. for Bleached Table Linen, regular 35c kind.
25c for Cream Damask, 58 and 60 inches wide, worth 40c yd.
45c yd. for Bleached and Cream.
Satin Damask, regular 60 and 65c quality, full 2 yds. and 72 inches wide.
60c yd. for fine 60c quality of Satin Bleached Table Damask.
Napkins.
Large 1/2 size Bleached Napkins, 20 doz. regular \$1.25 quality at 80c dozen in our sale. 10 doz. regular \$1.50 quality of 1/2 size Satin Damask Napkins on sale at \$1.10 per doz.
Towel Sale.
We are OVERSTOCKED ON TOWELS.
Turkish Bath Towels.—
10c kind cut to 7 1/2c.
15c kind cut to 10c.
20c kind cut to 12 1/2c.
25c kind cut to 18c.
14c Towel Towels.—
10c kind at 7 1/2c.
15c kind at 10c.
20c kind at 15c.
25c and 35c quality Fine Satin Damask Hand Knotted Fringed Towels on sale at 10c each.

Plaid Dress Goods Cheap.
One lot Plaid, suitable for Children's Dresses, usual price 10c, in our sale at 5c.
Kid Gloves
We put all our Kid Gloves that we have been selling at \$1 per pair in our sale at 70c pair.
Pocket Books.
Great sale to reduce our stock.
All 25c and 35c pocketbooks at 19c.
All 50c and 60c pocketbooks at 30c.
Valises and Suit Cases.
Gent's Suit Cases \$2.50 kind this week at only \$1.50.
Large Canvas Trunks, \$1.25 kind at 98c.
Underwear.
Our stock of Underwear is entirely too large. We must make room for our spring wear to arrive soon. CHILDREN'S 20c Underwear at 10c garment.

Children's 20c Underwear
at 10c Garment.
75 dozen Children's Shirts and Pants, all sizes, 18 inch to 34 inch in the lot. Just think of it! Nicely fleeced garments always sold at 20c, all out at one price, 10c for choice buys as many as you need. It will pay you to keep them for next year, but we need the money and room they occupy.
25 doz Ladies' Union Suits at 39c
All our ladies' regular 50c and 65c quality of fleeced Union Suits, the very best make of garments, out in our sale at 39c garment.
Ladies' Vests or Pants, 35c quality at 22c.
The choice of all our 25c and 35c quality of Ladies' Pants and Vests at 22c in our sale.
Wool Union Suits
\$3.00 kind at \$1.40.
We are going to sell all of our \$2.50 and \$3 quality of Ladies' Wool Union Suits in our great sale at only \$1.40 for the choice of them.
Boys' Shirts and Drawers.
Medium Weight Fleece Drawers or Shirts, the 25c kind reduced to 15c.
40c quality of heavy Fleece Shirts or Drawers at 25c.
Flannelet Gowns.
Must be closed out.
All \$1 and \$1.25 Gowns cut to 70c.
All 75c and 85c Gowns cut to 60c.
All 65c Gowns cut to 48c.
Children's Gowns.
All cut to 20c and 30c, worth 50c.
Ladies' Tights.
Knee Length Tights, worth \$1.50, cut to 80c pair.
Muslins.
2000 yds. of good 6c quality Unbleached Muslin at 3 1/2c yard.
2500 yds. of fine 7c quality Brown Muslin at 4 1/2c yd.
12 1/2c for 0-4 Unbleached Sheetting, always sold at 15c to 17c yd.
15c for very best quality full 0-4 double width Sheetting, worth fully 22 1/2c.
17c for very best quality 0-4 Bleached Double Width Sheetting, always worth 25c yd.
12 1/2c for 45 inch Pillow Tubing, always sold at 17c.
Bed Ticking.
12 1/2c for very best quality 18c feather Ticking.
Shirtings.
One bale splendid heavy Southern Plaid and Striped Shirtings just received direct from the mill, and always worth 10c yd., but in our great sale at 7 1/2c yard.
Pillows.
One lot Feather Pillows (bed size) at only 30c each.
Oil Cloth.
Best table Oil Cloth, 5-4 wide, at 13c for fancy.
15c for Marbles and White.
Floor Oil Cloth.
Good Quality 30c kind this month at 22 1/2c yd.
Best quality 65c and 70c Linoleum this month at only 45c yd. as long as it lasts.
Toweling at 3 1/2c yd.
20 pieces of 6 1/2c quality Toweling in our sale at 3 1/2c yd.
Hosiery.
Special values in Hosiery all this month.
Boys' Heavy Hosiery, regular 25c kind in our sale at 15c pair.
Ladies' Seamless Cotton Hose, usual 12 1/2c quality at 8c pair, or 8 pairs for 25c.
Gingham at 3 1/2c yd.
1000 yds. of Remnants of light colored Ginghams at only 3 1/2c yd., worth 7 1-2c.

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25 doz. Men's heavy Mixed Shirts and Drawers, regular 35c garment, this week in our sale as long as they last at only 19c garment.
Men's 50c Underwear at 39c.
20 doz. Men's Camel's Hair Mixed Underwear, 50 per cent wool, this week at 39c garment, or 75c suit.
10 doz. Men's Fancy Blue Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, sold usually at 75c garment in furnishing goods stores; this week at 39c garment, or 75c a suit.
Men's Fancy Dress Shirts at 39c.
The choice of all our 50c and 65c Fancy colored Dress Shirts in our sale at 39c.
Men's \$1 quality Colored Dress Shirts, in our sale at only 75c.
Men's Suspenders 9c.
Men's 15c Suspenders cut to 9c.
Men's 20c Suspenders cut to 15c.
Men's 25c Suspenders cut to 10c.
Men's Ties at 19c.
Choice of all our Men's Ties 25c and 35c kinds at only 19c.
Men's Shirts at 39c.
Best quality Men's Black and White 50c heavy drill shirts in our sale at only 39c.
Men's 50c Unlaundered white Shirts at only 39c.
Men's 50c quality Best Blue Overalls in our sale at 39c.
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6 1/2c quality Mixed Socks at 4c pair.
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Men's fancy 25c quality Cashmere Hose at only 19c pair.
Men's Gloves.
All 50c Gloves cut to 30c pair.
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Ladies' Wrappers 89c.
This week we give choice of our entire line of best quality \$1 Percale and Flannelette Wrappers at only 89c each.
Blankets.
Our Blanket Stock is too large.
48c for heavily fleeced 10-4 Blankets worth 75c.
75c for full 11-4 Heavy Fleece Blankets, the regular \$1 kind.
Wool Blankets at \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50 per pair.
Comforts.
98c for a good Hand Made Cotton Filled Comfort of Silkline, always sold at \$1.25.
\$1.19 for a heavier Silkline Comfort filled with good cotton, always sold at \$1.50.
Shoes.
We are going out of the Shoe Business.
All Ladies' and Children's Shoes to be sold regardless of cost or value.
\$1.19 for Ladies' Good quality Lace Shoes in fine kid and soft calf, regular \$2 qualities.
50c for Ladies' Odd Sizes, 3, 3 1/2 and 4 of Button Shoes.
50c for little boys' heavy, strong, Button Shoes, 6 to No. 2, worth always \$1.
50c for Misses' Button Shoes, odd sizes to be closed out.
White Goods.
One lot plain white and plaid check White Goods. Regular 6c, 8 1/2c and 7c kind at 5c yd.
One lot 10c quality Plaid and Striped White Goods at only 7 1/2c yd.
Calico at 3 1/2c yd.
50 pieces of Best Pure Indigo Blue Calico, regular 6c quality, as long as they last at 3 1/2c yard.

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40c quality of heavy Fleece Shirts or Drawers at 25c.
Flannelet Gowns.
Must be closed out.
All \$1 and \$1.25 Gowns cut to 70c.
All 75c and 85c Gowns cut to 60c.
All 65c Gowns cut to 48c.
Children's Gowns.
All cut to 20c and 30c, worth 50c.
Ladies' Tights.
Knee Length Tights, worth \$1.50, cut to 80c pair.
Muslins.
2000 yds. of good 6c quality Unbleached Muslin at 3 1/2c yard.
2500 yds. of fine 7c quality Brown Muslin at 4 1/2c yd.
12 1/2c for 0-4 Unbleached Sheetting, always sold at 15c to 17c yd.
15c for very best quality full 0-4 double width Sheetting, worth fully 22 1/2c.
17c for very best quality 0-4 Bleached Double Width Sheetting, always worth 25c yd.
12 1/2c for 45 inch Pillow Tubing, always sold at 17c.
Bed Ticking.
12 1/2c for very best quality 18c feather Ticking.
Shirtings.
One bale splendid heavy Southern Plaid and Striped Shirtings just received direct from the mill, and always worth 10c yd., but in our great sale at 7 1/2c yard.
Pillows.
One lot Feather Pillows (bed size) at only 30c each.
Oil Cloth.
Best table Oil Cloth, 5-4 wide, at 13c for fancy.
15c for Marbles and White.
Floor Oil Cloth.
Good Quality 30c kind this month at 22 1/2c yd.
Best quality 65c and 70c Linoleum this month at only 45c yd. as long as it lasts.
Toweling at 3 1/2c yd.
20 pieces of 6 1/2c quality Toweling in our sale at 3 1/2c yd.
Hosiery.
Special values in Hosiery all this month.
Boys' Heavy Hosiery, regular 25c kind in our sale at 15c pair.
Ladies' Seamless Cotton Hose, usual 12 1/2c quality at 8c pair, or 8 pairs for 25c.
Gingham at 3 1/2c yd.
1000 yds. of Remnants of light colored Ginghams at only 3 1/2c yd., worth 7 1-2c.

Men's 85c Underwear at 19c.
25 doz. Men's heavy Mixed Shirts and Drawers, regular 35c garment, this week in our sale as long as they last at only 19c garment.
Men's 50c Underwear at 39c.
20 doz. Men's Camel's Hair Mixed Underwear, 50 per cent wool, this week at 39c garment, or 75c suit.
10 doz. Men's Fancy Blue Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, sold usually at 75c garment in furnishing goods stores; this week at 39c garment, or 75c a suit.
Men's Fancy Dress Shirts at 39c.
The choice of all our 50c and 65c Fancy colored Dress Shirts in our sale at 39c.
Men's \$1 quality Colored Dress Shirts, in our sale at only 75c.
Men's Suspenders 9c.
Men's 15c Suspenders cut to 9c.
Men's 20c Suspenders cut to 15c.
Men's 25c Suspenders cut to 10c.
Men's Ties at 19c.
Choice of all our Men's Ties 25c and 35c kinds at only 19c.
Men's Shirts at 39c.
Best quality Men's Black and White 50c heavy drill shirts in our sale at only 39c.
Men's 50c Unlaundered white Shirts at only 39c.
Men's 50c quality Best Blue Overalls in our sale at 39c.
Men's 35c quality of Black and White Striped Shirts at only 25c.
Men's Socks.
6 1/2c quality Mixed Socks at 4c pair.
Men's 10c quality Black or Brown Socks at 7c or 4 pairs for 25c.
Men's 15c quality Socks at 2c for 25c.
Men's fancy 25c quality Cashmere Hose at only 19c pair.
Men's Gloves.
All 50c Gloves cut to 30c pair.
All 30c Gloves cut to 25c pair.
All 25c Gloves cut to 19c pair.
Ladies' Wrappers 89c.
This week we give choice of our entire line of best quality \$1 Percale and Flannelette Wrappers at only 89c each.
Blankets.
Our Blanket Stock is too large.
48c for heavily fleeced 10-4 Blankets worth 75c.
75c for full 11-4 Heavy Fleece Blankets, the regular \$1 kind.
Wool Blankets at \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50 per pair.
Comforts.
98c for a good Hand Made Cotton Filled Comfort of Silkline, always sold at \$1.25.
\$1.19 for a heavier Silkline Comfort filled with good cotton, always sold at \$1.50.
Shoes.
We are going out of the Shoe Business.
All Ladies' and Children's Shoes to be sold regardless of cost or value.
\$1.19 for Ladies' Good quality Lace Shoes in fine kid and soft calf, regular \$2 qualities.
50c for Ladies' Odd Sizes, 3, 3 1/2 and 4 of Button Shoes.
50c for little boys' heavy, strong, Button Shoes, 6 to No. 2, worth always \$1.
50c for Misses' Button Shoes, odd sizes to be closed out.
White Goods.
One lot plain white and plaid check White Goods. Regular 6c, 8 1/2c and 7c kind at 5c yd.
One lot 10c quality Plaid and Striped White Goods at only 7 1/2c yd.
Calico at 3 1/2c yd.
50 pieces of Best Pure Indigo Blue Calico, regular 6c quality, as long as they last at 3 1/2c yard.

Children's 20c Underwear
at 10c Garment.
75 dozen Children's Shirts and Pants, all sizes, 18 inch to 34 inch in the lot. Just think of it! Nicely fleeced garments always sold at 20c, all out at one price, 10c for choice buys as many as you need. It will pay you to keep them for next year, but we need the money and room they occupy.
25 doz Ladies' Union Suits at 39c
All our ladies' regular 50c and 65c quality of fleeced Union Suits, the very best make of garments, out in our sale at 39c garment.
Ladies' Vests or Pants, 35c quality at 22c.
The choice of all our 25c and 35c quality of Ladies' Pants and Vests at 22c in our sale.
Wool Union Suits
\$3.00 kind at \$1.40.
We are going to sell all of our \$2.50 and \$3 quality of Ladies' Wool Union Suits in our great sale at only \$1.40 for the choice of them.
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Men's Shirts at 39c.
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Bradley Bros
Decatur, Ill.

JANUARY CLEARING SALE!

Bradley Bros
Decatur, Ill.

January Clearing Sale of Silks

50c Silk Plush at 15c yard.
50c Lining Silks at 15c yard.
75c Lining Silks at 25c yard.
75c Silk Crepes, Silk Poplins and
Foulards at 48c.
\$1.00 Silk Duchess, Corded Taffetas
and Fancy Silks at 60c yard.
\$1.00 Silk Crepe de Chine at 73c.
75c Black Taffetas (Bonnets make)
at 50c yd.
\$1.00 Black Duchess silk, 24 inch
wide at 68c.
\$1.00 Black Taffeta silk, 36 inch wide
at 75c.
\$1.00 Black Peau de Soie silk at 75c.
\$1.00 Black Armure silk at 75c.

January Clearing Sale of Black Dress Goods.

75c Black Brocade Wool Dress
Goods, 46 inch wide at 39c.
75c Black Parola Dress Goods, 40
inch wide at 39c.
\$1.00 Black Homespun Dress Goods
54 inch wide at 39c.
75c Black Pebble Cheviot, 46 inch
at 39c.
75c Black Cheviot, 45 inch at 39c.

January Clearing Sale of Col- ored Dress Goods.

\$1.00 All wool 46 inch plaids, 39c.
\$1.00 Homespun 40 inch, 39c.
75c All wool Camel Hair mixtures,
39c.
50c All wool Cheviots and Home-
spuns at 39c.
75c and \$1.00 Serges and wide wale
diagonals, 46 and 50 inch wide at 50c
yard.
\$1.00 Dress Patterns, colors—
browns, navys, nile, tan, rose, lavender,
resida and grey handsome designs, no
two alike, your choice \$5.00 pattern.
100 patterns finest all wool French
Printed flannels for waist value 75c, all
at 50c yard.

Tailor Made Suits



Twenty-five styles to select from,
colors and black, \$10, \$15 and \$25.
Twenty special suits at \$5 each, were
\$10, \$12.50 and \$15. No two alike but
almost every size in the lot, silk lined
jackets.

Pedestrian Skirts.

Fifty heavy cloth skirts to close at
\$2.50 each, they cost the makers \$5 to
\$7.50 and we took all they had at the
last of the season, some blacks, but all
good colors and sizes.

Steamer Rugs

Less than half price. They make
the best kind of buggy robes, solid
color on one side, plaid on the other,
at \$5.95, worth \$12 each.

Golf Capes.

\$5 worth \$12. A small manufacturer
carried over some fine golf cloth from
last year and made them up into golf
capes. They did not take—we closed
out the lot—your choice \$5 each.

200 Women's Wraps

Reduced including three-quarter Coats
and Ulsters.
\$7.50 and \$8 Jackets for \$5.
\$10 and \$12 Jackets for \$7.50.

Three-quarter Coats.

\$10 reduced from \$12.50.
\$15 reduced from \$20.
And so on throughout the entire
stock. The very fact that they are
here is excuse enough for reducing them.



FUR COATS.

You can wear
your Fur Coat for
three months and
more—only one
month of the cold
weather gone, we
have every size—
32 to 40 bust, 22 to
80 inches long,
\$15, \$20, \$25, \$35.

FURS.

Lots of people who
wanted furs got mon-
ey, now you may
spend your money
for furs and make
your own selection.

We have an al-
most unbroken lot
here again. Fresh
goods just from the
makers at reduced
prices, some of our
own choice furs left
over reduced to
match the price of
new furs.

Cluster Scarfs, \$1 up to \$35.
Streamer Scarfs, \$2.50 up to \$40.
Muffs so popular in the large cities—
did not go so fast here. They are re-
duced one-third.

Flannel Waists.

Overstocked on two numbers—a
complete line of sizes and colors.
75c for \$1.25 waist made of all wool
domestic flannel, very best style and
good colors.



\$1.25 for a \$2.00
waist made of
domestic twilled
flannel, all col-
ors and sizes to
start in with—
don't wait a
week and then
say you saw
them advertis-
ed.

Silk Waists.

Four dozens to close at a loss.
\$2.95 for \$5.00 Silk Waists.
\$3.95 for \$6.00 and \$7.00 Silk Waists
colors only—slightly mused from
showing but all good colors and every
size.

Eiderdown Dressing Sacks.

Not a great many but they take up
our valuable room and are no use to
us in summer.

75c for all wool Eiderdown Sacks,
worth \$1.25.
\$1.00 for Ripple Eiderdown Sacks,
worth \$1.75.

500 pieces of Sample Muslin Underwear at

75c on the dollar—slightly mused, a
manufacturer's line; value from 25c to
\$8 garments, no two pieces alike.



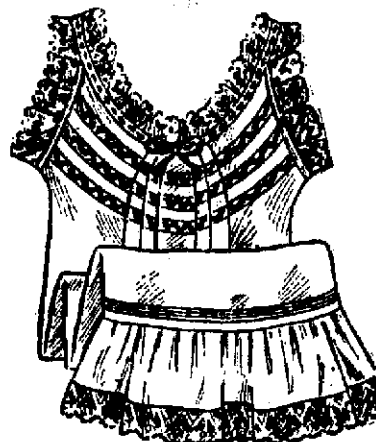
35c corset covers, 25c
50c corset covers, 35c
75c corset covers, 59c
40c corset covers, 29c
60c corset covers, 45c
\$1 corset covers, 69c



35c drawers, 25c
75c drawers, 59c
50c drawers, 39c
\$1 drawers, 75c

Gowns.

60c gowns, - - 45c
75c gowns, - - 59c
\$1 gowns, - - 69c
\$1.25 gowns, - - 85c
Fine gowns, \$1, \$1.50
\$2 and up to \$6 each



35c chemise 25c
75c chemise 59c
Fine chemise \$1, \$1.50, \$2 and up to
\$6 each.

35c short skirts 25c
75c short skirts 59c
50c short skirts 39c
\$1 short skirts 75c

Fine White Skirts



\$1.00 skirts 75c
\$1.75 skirts \$1.25
\$2.00 skirts \$1.50
\$2.25 skirts \$1.75
\$2.50 skirts \$2.00
\$3.00 and up to \$6. This is the best
make of muslin underwear manufac-
tured in the United States and affords
a rare chance to secure fine underwear
at reasonable prices.

January Sale of

Linens, Sheetings, Towels, Muslins and
Sheets and Pillow Cases.

There is a time each year when the
Prudent housekeeper thinks of replen-
ishing her linen closet, and now is the
time. You can purchase more here for
your dollar in the next 30 days than at
any other time and this is the way you
can do it.

1 bale yard wide clean unbleached
muslin at only 4c yd.

1 case yard wide fine bleached mus-
lin free from dressing, 5c yd.

1000 Turkish wash cloth, fast edges,
only 2c each.

50 doz fine Turkish towels, an excel-
lent grade at 5c each.

1 lot of fine huck towels, fancy bor-
ders at 7 1/2c each.

20 doz fine fringed Damask towels,
sale price 12 1/2c each.

42x36 fine hand turned Pillow slips,
your choice at 8 1/2c each.

Full size fine bed sheets, a regular
60c sheet, for 48c each.

2 1/4 yds wide bleached sheeting, a fine
quality at only 16 1/2c yd.

2 1/4 yards wide heavy unbleached
sheeting at only 14 1/2c yd.

1 lot of fancy hemstitch huck towels,
sale price 19c each.

50 pieces fine roller toweling at 3 1/2c
yard.

10 pieces fine double damask table
linen in the new open borders, 10 pat-
terns at 48c yd.

1 lot of fine imported table linen, 2
yds wide in the very latest designs at
at 68c, 75c, 85c, 98c and \$1.25 yd.

150 remnants of table linens direct
from our contract mills, these are the
original agents samples in lengths of
2, 2 1/2 and 3 yds at a great reduction.

Don't miss this opportunity while the
stock is complete.

1 case full size marseilles pattern
bed spreads, your choice at 79c each.

January Clearing Sale of BLANKETS AND BEDDING.

We don't propose to carry over any
blankets or comforters this season, we
are crowded for room all over the store
and want all the space possible for
summer goods and for the next 30
days prior to invoicing we will cut
prices and cut hard. This will be the
blanket sale of the season. Nobody
can afford to be without a pair of blan-
kets or a comfort when you can buy
them at prices like these:

Your choice of all our 10-4 cotton
blankets in grey, tan or white that
were 58c pair, now 48c pair.

All our large tan or grey long fleece
blankets that sold for \$1 pair go for
69c pair.

Extra large and heavy grey blankets
natural borders that were \$1.25 and
\$1.39 pair, now 98c pair.

10-4 grey wool blankets, fine borders,
that we sold at \$2.50 pair, go in one
lot at \$1.98 pair.

10-4 white short Napp wool blankets
former price \$2.75 a pair, they are
yours at \$2.19 pair.

10-4 grey mixed natural wool blan-
kets, cheap at \$3 pair, now only \$2.48
a pair.

10-4 extra fine cardet California wool
blankets in natural grey, regular price
\$3.50, now \$2.98 a pair.

Large northern made and heavy
scarlet all wool blankets, former price
\$3.50, now only \$2.98 a pair.

10-4 all wool extra heavy nicely
bound white blankets, fast borders,
sold at \$4, now \$3 a pair.

10-4 grey all wool heavy Napp blan-
kets, our regular \$4.25 stock, go at
\$3.19 a pair.

10 pair only large all wool grey blan-
kets, a \$5 blanket for \$3.75 a pair.

All 10-4 grey all wool California
blankets sold the world over for \$5.50,
pair, this time for \$3.98 pair.

Extra large and fleecy all wool, both
warp and filling blankets, regular price
\$4.50, go at \$3.48 a pair.

Your choice of scarlet all wool blan-
kets, the \$4.50 grade at \$3.48 a pair.

20 pairs of fine California white
wool blankets, regular price \$5, now
only \$3.98 a pair.

11-4 extra size scarlet all wool blan-
kets, fast colors, a \$6 article for \$4.50
a pair.

All our \$6.50 fine western wool blan-
kets in scarlets go at \$5 a pair.

Your choice of extra fine 11-4 white
all wool blankets, the \$8.50 and \$9
stock go at \$6.50 a pair.

1 lot of very fine white all wool blan-
kets, full size, fine borders, the \$12.50
for \$8.98 per pair.

15 pairs fine northern made lambs'
wool blankets in white, regular \$7
stock for \$5.50 a pair.

All comforters that were 75c and 88c
go in one big lot at 58c each.

Creton covert comforts, good pat-
terns, that were 98c and \$1.25 go at 89c
each.

2 doz. fine satteen covert comforters
2 colors of covering that were \$1.75,
now \$1.39 each.

1 lot of slightly soiled comforts that
sold at \$2.25, \$2.50, your choice, \$1.69
each.

Fancy French satteen covert com-
forts in fine stitching, regular price
\$3.00, now \$1.98 each.

Extra fine landsdown comfort just
like Eiderdown that were \$4.50, now
only \$2.98.

All our fine and fancy quilted bor-
der comforts in very high finish made of
the best imported French satteen that
were \$5.50, now \$4.19 each.

Very fine satin Eiderdown comforts
never sold for anything less than
\$12.50, you can get them here at \$8.48
each.

Cut Price on Rugs.

9x12 Pro Brus-
sels Rugs, \$12.50
cut to \$10.00.

9x10x6 Pro Brus-
sels Rugs, \$11.00
cut to \$8.75.

9x9 Pro Brus-
sels Rugs, \$9.50
cut to \$7.50.

Tapestry Brus-
sels Rugs, 9x12
cut to \$13.00.

30 inch Velvet Rugs cut \$1.50.



Millinery at One-Half Price.

\$9 and \$10.00 Trimmed Hats \$4.50.
\$7 and \$8 Trimmed Hats \$3.50.
\$5 and \$6 Trimmed Hats \$2.50.
\$3 and \$4 Trimmed Hats \$1.50.
Misses' Trimmed Hats 98c.

Hosiery and Underwear.

25 doz Ladies' Ecu union suits, silk
trimmed open down front, 25c each.

15 doz Ladies' ecru union suits,
oneita style, 38c each.

1 lot Ladies' heavy fleece lined vests
silk bound, 38c.

1 lot Ladies' grey ribbed vests and
pants, 19c.

1 lot Ladies' ecru tights 12 1/2c each.

20 doz Boys' heavy fleece shirts and
drawers, all sizes, 25c each.

40 doz Ladies' black fleeced Hose
ribbed top extra heavy, 15c a pair.

25 doz Ladies' fancy stripe and lace
hose, 25c pair.

60 doz Boys' extra heavy ribbed
black hose, 6 to 10 at 15c pair.

20 doz Men's heavy fleece lined shirts
and drawers, all sizes at 38c each.

1 lot Men's ecru ribbed fleece lined
shirts and drawers, your choice, 33c
each.

10 doz Men's Camels Hair shirts
and drawers, 29c each.

1 lot Men's extra fine silk fleece
shirts and drawers at 98c each.

1 lot Men's extra heavy fleeced shirts
and drawers, at 48c each.

AGENTS FOR:....

JOUVIN KID GLOVES,
BONNET'S DRESS SILKS,
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Bradley Bros
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AGENTS FOR:....

Standard Patterns, Her Majes-
ty's Corsets, Hemmingway's
Spool and Embroidery Silks.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP=PLAYS AND PLAYERS

"In Old Kentucky," "White Slave" and "Florodora" will serve to interest the amusement loving public at the opera house during the week. "In Old Kentucky" comes on Monday night. There are many things in this pretty story of Kentucky life calculated to please the average playgoer. Who can resist the breezy, gallant Kentucky colonel, the charm and innocence of the sweet girl heroine, the faithfulness and loyalty of the old negro servant, the spirit and gloss and beauty of the beautiful Kentucky thoroughbred, "Queen Bess" and the fun and frolic and sport created by a score of pickaninies. It is an entertainment full of life, vigor and spirit, and it has a charm all its own, therefore it is little wonder that it has met with such boundless success.

THE WHITE SLAVE.

One of the pleasant recollections of "The Sign of the Cross" for the past two seasons has been the charming work done by Miss Lillie Thurlow as "Merrie" in support of Charles Dalton.



LILLIE AND DAPHNE in "The White Slave," opera house Wednesday evening.

This young lady has won high praise from the critics of England and America and undoubtedly has a brilliant future before her. She is now playing "Lina" in the Twentieth Century revival of "Bartley's" "The White Slave," and gives to the role a new conception which is the result of long study.

The success of three continents, "Florodora" will be seen at the Powers Grand for one performance, next Saturday, Jan. 11. Many of the catchy airs

from this popular musical comedy have preceded the production, and have had the happy effect of making their hearers hungry for more. "Tell me, pretty maiden," and "Under the shade of the palms" are among the many melodies that have floated westward, but the melodious concert is crowded with tunes that stick to the memory. The company to appear here in the piece numbers over one hundred and travels in a special train of seven Pullman coaches. Among the principals are Miss Grace Dudley, Miss Maude Lambert, Miss Frances Gordon, Miss Ida Doerge, Miss Selma Mantell, W. T. Carleton, Philip H. Ryley, Charles H. Bowers, M. J. Smith, Alfred Cahill and Sidney Davis. Says the San Francisco Call: "The music is bright, the lines are funny, there is a plot that can be discerned without the aid of a telescope, and, not least, there are bunches of pretty girls smartly gowned, and set in scenery that satisfies the most exacting. The famous 'Sextette' is all our prophetic orchestra have painted it and is enjoyed nightly with an enthusiasm that knows no limit."

SOME COMING ATTRACTIONS.

There will be some good attractions at the opera house during the month. Among the number will be the following:

- 13th—Creston Clark in "The Only Way."
- 17th—A great melodrama, "The Lost River."
- 22—York State Folks.
- 23—Joseph Murphy.
- 25—Katenjammer Kids, matinee and night.
- 26—Rudolph and Adolph.
- 30—Runaway Girl Opera company.

The above are all good, but among the number are three deserving of especial mention. York State Folks on the 22nd is one of the best drawing plays of the year, or of several years for that matter. It is built on the lines of "Way Down East," and breathes of the atmosphere of home and provokes intense interest. The Runaway Girl opera company was seen here last season and pleased immensely. At that time Jimmy Powers was one of the leading characters. In place of Powers we will this year have Arthur Dunn, the midwest comedian who is well and favorably known in this city. "Rudolph and Adolph," coming on the 26th, is one of the prettiest comedies now before the public. The other plays of the month are the kind that will appeal to the general public.

Local amusement lovers will doubtless regret to learn that Frank Daniels is not booked for an engagement at the

Powers theater during the present season. Mr. Daniels has been coming to Decatur off and on for the past twenty years and has always been a prime favorite. It may so happen that he will be



MADGE in "Old Kentucky," at opera house Monday night.

able to give a date here later on, but the demand being made upon him by the larger cities where he can play a month at a time seems to preclude even this possibility. His new play, "Miss Simplicity," has made a wonderful hit and is incidentally making the little comedian heaps of gold.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the great English actress, who opened her engagement in this country in Chicago, has made a fine impression. Chicago has given her the stamp of approval.

E. H. Sothorn, who is filling his annual engagement in Chicago, playing "If I were King," has succeeded in pleasing large audiences every night. His business is about as good as he has ever enjoyed in that city.

Mrs. Edward Harrigan inherited last week by the death of an aunt a fortune of \$45,000.

Mattie Vickers has been engaged for "The Land of Cotton."

James A. Bailey and George O. Starr of the Barnum & Bailey circus, will sail for Europe on the Teutonic on Jan. 15, to rejoin their organization. They have been in America for several weeks on a business visit. Edward McWade had a Christmas

dinner at home for the first time in eighteen years. The Winchester company happened to be in Buffalo where he lives and he and Mrs. McWade (Margaret May) had a joyful feast with Mr. McWade mother, Mrs. Robert McWade.

May Irwin sold last week the dwelling, No. 144 West Twenty-eight street, New York city, for a stated consideration of \$35,000.

Otis Skinner closed his Chicago engagement a few evenings ago and incidentally lost his temper—a rare occurrence. The night after Christmas, during his last act, his company annoyed him by whispering and tittering behind the scenes, and when the last curtain fell he rated them soundly and rushed off to his dressing room. Soon afterward he was summoned to the stage to explain his rage, and there he found the company all assembled around a great loving cup brimming with champagne, which Aubrey Boncicant presented to the actor and his charming wife as the gift of every one from leading lady and manager to choir lad and grip. Mr. Skinner apologized handsomely, made a pleasant speech and the passing of the cup closed another demonstration of the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Skinner are beloved by all who are privileged to know them.

Della Fox is to return to the stage Jan. 10 when she will begin a starring tour in a comedy entitled "Little Madeleine."



MAUDE LAMBERT, in "Florodora," at the opera house Saturday night.

Madame Janushech, who is at Sara-

toga, is reported to be slowly improving in health. Her eyes trouble her greatly.

Olga Nethersole is reported to have recovered her health, and will leave London in January for Egypt, returning in February.

George W. Siddons, the old time manager and father of Ida Siddons, the burlesque actress, died at Providence, R. I., on Dec. 23, of cancer of the stomach, aged 67 years. Mr. Siddons began his career as a circus rider. He was the original manager of the Georgia Minstrels, and was associated with Frank I. Prayue for several years.

Denman Thompson, according to his established custom, distributed a large sum of money this Christmas to the poor and needy of the theatrical profession. His son was in New York last week, quietly and without ostentation bestowing the gifts.

It has been announced that Florence Reed, daughter of the late Roland Reed, who is now playing Felicity Jones in "The Widow Jones," at the Bijou theater, will next season succeed May Irwin in her noted roles and make a starring tour of the country under Miss Irwin's direction.

Mme. Sibyl Sanderson has announced her engagement to Count Fitzjames of Paris, who has been in this country two weeks, and who accompanied her to Philadelphia. Mme. Sanderson says the marriage will not take place for at least two years. Mme. Sanderson is the widow of Antonio Terry, son of a wealthy Cuban sugar planter, and is a native of California.

Elhel Barrymore, the youngest successful star of the stage, will be seen in Chicago at the Illinois theatre for two weeks beginning Monday, January 6 in "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," the fantastic comedy that ran 200 nights at the Garrick theater, New York, last year, breaking all records of the season. Elhel Barrymore belongs to one of the few families in this country who have made the stage a profession through several generations. Her father is the distinguished Maurice Barrymore, long prominent in theatricals. Her mother was the late Georgie Drew Barrymore, a remarkably gifted actress in comedy roles, whose death was a sad loss to the stage. Her grandmother was Mrs. John Drew, whom all classes of playgoers loved and honored. Her uncle, John Drew, is one of our foremost actors, and her brother Lionel is advancing in his chosen profession. Surely the law of heredity is plainly proven in her success.

Carnegie is willing to give away his money in ten million chunks, but he refuses to burn up his whole pile by backing a prima donna and opera company, as he has been urged to do.

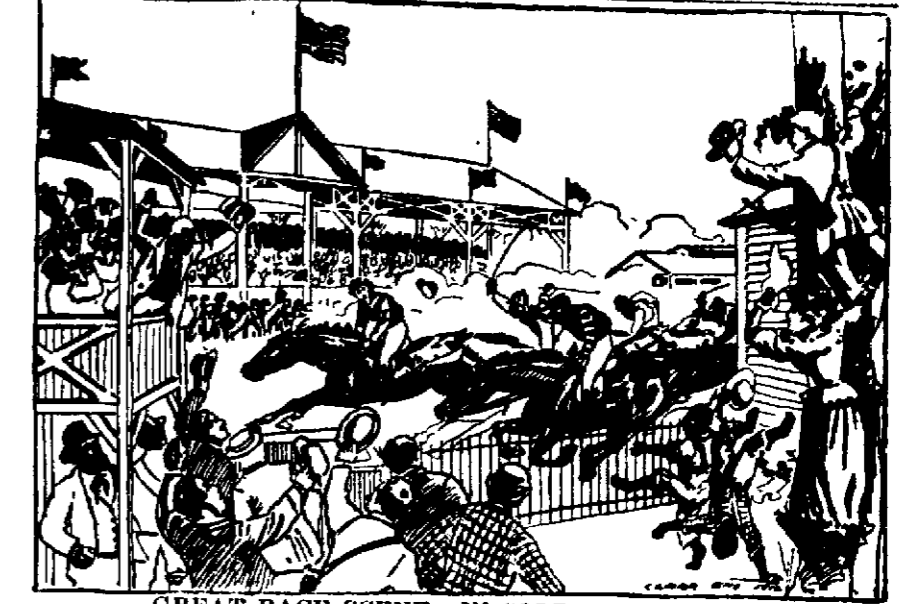
"Billy" West, the minstrel man, is ill at the Palmer House, but his condition is not serious. He has been ailing for some time, and a week ago was forced to seek rest and quiet.

Madame Modjeska and Louis James will begin their tour of California in San Francisco on January 6 in Wagner's and Kemper's much talked of production of "Henry VIII." After playing the principal cities of the Pa-

trise, New York City, where she would now be, save for the fact that fulfillment of previous contracts is absolutely demanded by managers who surrendered their time last year. Miss Marlowe's portrayal of the role of Mary Tudor in Paul Kester's dramatization of Charles Major's romantic novel has proved the triumph of her career. Of the thirty-four roles in which she has appeared, her Mary Tudor has scored the most emphatic success with public and critics.

A New York tailor asserts that John Drew is the best dressed actor in the country, both off and on the stage.

One country will refuse to recognize



GREAT RACE SCENE IN "OLD KENTUCKY"

the slope they will return via the Northern Pacific railroad playing the important towns en route to Detroit.

William A. Brady has booked "Lorelei's Lane" for next season over the identical route it is following now. This proceeding, which is believed to be unprecedented, was due to the number of managerial requests for return engagements.

"Way Down East" has terminated its third New York run at the Academy of Music and opened last Monday at the Boston theater.

Julia Marlowe's magnificent production of "When Knighthood Was in Flower" comes to Powers theater, Chicago, for a limited season, beginning January 13. This will be Miss Marlowe's only engagement in the west this year as her tour is more than usually brief. She was released from her Chicago contract last spring owing to the great success of "When Knighthood Was in Flower" at the Criterion Thea-

trical.

Sam Evey and family of Macon are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

R. B. Pease and Mary Nierstraal visited Arthur Pease in Chicago a few days last week.

Ray Jones of Fooseland visited his brother, E. S. Jones, over Sunday.

Mart Collins returned to his home near Columbus, Ind., last week where he will remain till spring.

Charley Morton visited his parents a few days last week near Kimmunity.

H. Cornell will have a public sale Jan. 15. He will sell nearly all of his live stock and all of his farm implements.

J. W. Minton had a large combination sale at the livery barn Thursday, Jan. 2. He had about a car load of horses and mules to dispose of.

Jan. 3.

LATHAM.

I. W. Burchett and son Johnnie were Decatur shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Jacob Meyers of Mt. Pulaski is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Dr. E. N. Wheeler and son Wen left for Decatur visitors Thursday.

Mrs. R. S. Lovell left Thursday for Mobile, Alabama, where she will make her future home.

Mrs. Sallie and Bettie Howe were at Decatur Thursday.

Joe Allison went to Decatur Thursday for medical treatment.

YOU YUST COM UP

That is the Way Constable Miller is Said to Serve Subpoenas.

MILLER STOUTLY DENIES IT

Dockets at January Term Will Be Heavy—Criminal Docket Will Be First—Suits For May Term.

In the circuit court Saturday there was only one case called and that was for an argument on a technical point. The title of the case was Clara Wickens, administratrix, vs. Deloy Shelley, appeal. The case was taken from the court of Justice McCoy, where it had been decided, on the same point argued yesterday, in favor of the defendant. The question was on the sufficiency of the service. In the first place the administratrix brought suit to recover a sum of money. The summons to the defendant was given to Constable Fred Miller. The defendant says that he was never served with proper notice of the suit. One day he was on a street car and the constable came in and said "Hello! I've been looking for you. I've got a det' warrant for you. You yust com up." Shelley says that was the extent of the service. That while Miller said "com up," he did not say where he should "com." Yesterday a jury was waived and the court heard the evidence. Miller declared that he had served the defendant in orthodox style. After hearing the evidence yesterday, Judge Vail took the matter under advisement.

Not until the October term has been finally adjourned will it be possible to tell just how many cases there will be on the January docket. Since the October term convened there have been instituted 94 civil suits, law and chancery. It is practically certain that there will be at least 72 of the common law cases now on the docket redocketed for the next term, and the same is true of 95 chancery cases. That will make a total of 261 civil suits for the January term. In addition there are now on the people's docket 156 cases, the majority of them being those returned by the October grand jury.

Judge Vail has announced that when the January term is convened the work on the criminal docket will be the first thing taken up. If the petty gaming and saloon cases are given the right of way, and that seems likely, there will be work enough on the people's docket alone to last until the May term. Monday morning the case of Miller vs. Shoemaker, distress for rent, will be again taken up. A recess was taken in that trial because of the illness of Juror

Black. This will be the last week of the October term.

If the suits for the May term continue to be entered at the rate which began on Saturday, the first day of that service, the May docket will be larger than that of the coming term. Saturday three suits were entered, one a divorce case and two appeals.

NEARBY TOWNS.

FORSYTH.
Thrift and daughter Albertine, visited with T. H. Benton of Ashley over Christmas.
L. Bowden and wife spent Christmas in Macon.
Dr. A. E. Mowry returned to Chicago Wednesday.
Mrs. V. Barber, Henry Barber and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nimms spent Christmas with W. R. Barber and family.
Rev. E. H. Longbrake returned home Saturday after a short visit with his mother in Oxford.
Dr. A. E. Mowry returned home but Mr. Mowry will visit for a while. Dec. 31.

BETHANY.
A. H. Morgan was in Sullivan on New Year's day on business.
The ball at Vardick's new opera house was well attended. A good time was enjoyed.

Frank McGinnis came home to visit home folks New Year's.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Hermon was in Sullivan on business Wednesday.

The I. O. O. F. supper was postponed indefinitely.
The weather is fine, but nothing particular for New Year's is going on in Bethany.

Bunice McReynolds is home from school at Quincy visiting home folks during the holidays.
J. A. Crowder departed this life Saturday and was interred in the Bethany cemetery Sunday. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Cockrum of Mt. Zion, assisted by Rev. McAlmas. He was an old soldier. Jan. 2.

WELDON.
Mr. and Mrs. H. Parr of Normal are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Michael Carr.

John and Jennie Carr returned from Decatur Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hinkle of Cham-paign are visiting at the Costly house.
Mrs. Carl Swierant and Mrs. Flora Greenwood visited in Champlain Thursday.

Miss Mamie Dale from Wichita, Kan., is here for a visit with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wiley visited during the holidays with the family of Charley Costley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook went to Cero Gordo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Gray have returned from a visit with Wopshin Gray, at Earl Miles, who has been quite sick for the past ten days, is able to be out again.

H. F. Miles of Cisco visited relatives here Saturday.

Ed Holmes and family returned home Monday from Farmer City.
Charlie Miles returned from Cham-paign Friday.
Walter Hardisty has returned home from Clinton where he has been working for the past five months. Jan. 1.

MAKOA.
The New Year's reception by Dr. and Mrs. W. T. McLean was the most bril-

liant social event that has occurred in Macon in many years.

Marion Kirwood has resigned the office of town clerk on account of his removal to Austin township. M. M. Morry was appointed by the board of auditors to fill the vacancy.

Miss Berulie Crocker of Springfield is visiting relatives in Macon.

Miss Elsie Crocker visited friends in Springfield this week.

Miss Vada Mayall, teacher of Latin in the Elgin high school, who has been spending the vacation here, returned Friday to begin to resume her duties.

Paul Crocker of Springfield is here visiting relatives.

Garrett J. Schenck will go to Houston, Texas, next Tuesday where he will join a hunting party organized by B. Fort Smith of Houston.

Riley Shaw has taken possession of the W. A. Wikoff hardware store, having finished involving the first of the week.

Mrs. B. F. Ross, who has been ill the past three weeks, is improving.

John Cooper, who has been visiting in Indiana the past three weeks, returned home Thursday.

Mrs. May Sumner came Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Hardin.

Jack Wilkey, who moved to Macon about a year ago from the southern part of the state, is dead. Mr. Wilkey was a man about 80 years of age and has been in poor health for a number of years. He leaves a wife and two brothers in Macon.

Misses Isabel and May Vanderveert of Bloomington, who were the guests of W. T. McLean, returned home on Thursday.

The Success club gave a banquet to its members on New Year's evening. Toasts were the principal feature of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Leavitt will leave Tuesday for Houston, Tex., where they will spend the winter.

J. B. Norris shipped a car load of hogs and a car of cattle to Chicago this week.

William Williams and family will move to Crowley, La., the first of next week. He will engage in rice farming.

R. E. Nesbitt and Henry Hooker returned to Chicago this week.

Robert Morris will go to Louisiana on the excursion next Tuesday.

Mrs. Lydia E. Bates will go south on the excursion next Tuesday to spend the winter.

Mrs. B. F. Jump, who has been visiting relatives in Ohio, returned home on New Year's day.

Thomas Costello and wife went to Chicago on New Year's day.

J. P. Parker has been confined to his room for several weeks by illness. He is now improving.

Miss Ida Schenck, who has been in poor health for more than a year, has been growing worse lately.

Mrs. T. B. Gardner, who has been on the sick list for some time, is recovering.

Quite a lot of corn has been marketed in Macon this week.

Jan. 3.

NIANTIC.

A very pleasant watch party was given at the home of Gregg Marshall, on New Year's eve. Games were enjoyed and oysters were served. Those present were: Misses Cora Hall, Freda Par-num, Leah Smith, Minnie Grider, Ella Berry, Sophia Kitch, Messrs. Robert

KINNEY'S
10, TEN, SILVER DIME COMBINATION, 10, TEN, GOOD ALL THIS WEEK.

The Rich Become Richer By Saving.
WHY NOT YOU?

Avail yourself of this rare opportunity to save 50c by purchasing the following list of dependable groceries for One Cash Dollar:

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| 1 Peck Best Timber Grown Potatoes..... | 10c |
| 4 lbs Fine Granulated Sugar..... | 10c |
| ½ Peck Sweet Fall Turnips..... | 10c |
| 2 lbs Gerolium, the heart of wheat, 100 per cent pure..... | 10c |
| 1 lb Coffee, good whole grain..... | 10c |
| 1 Can Corn, standard quality..... | 10c |
| 1 Bottle of Pickles or Mustard..... | 10c |
| 1 lb Rice, high grade..... | 10c |
| 1 qt Kraut, imported style..... | 10c |
| 1 Can Peaches, full packed..... | 10c |

\$1.00

Dunkard Butter and Fresh Eggs Always at

Kinney's Cash Grocery,

Telephone Orders Promptly Attended to.

601 N. Water-st.

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10,000 Yards

A fortunate purchase has placed in our Lace Department a job lot of 10,000 yards

of Embroideries and Insertings

Many of which are worth up to 25c per yard. We shall place these on sale Monday morning and shall offer them while they last at the surprisingly reduced price of, per yard

7½c

OUR GREAT ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE

OUR GREAT JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE, THAT EVENT OF ALL EVENTFUL SALES, TO WHICH ALL DECATUR AND SURROUNDING COUNTRY TURN OUT TO YEARLY, THAT OCCASION THAT HAS BECOME KNOWN TO EVERY WISE AND ECONOMICAL BUYER AS THE GREATEST BONAFIDE BARGAIN SALE OF THE YEAR.

BEGINS TOMORROW MORNING AT 8 O'CLOCK ---- AN EXTRAORDINARY EVENT!

OUR JANUARY SALE OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR and CORSETS also BEGINS TOMORROW. EVERY GARMENT WE OFFER FOR SALE Was Made in a Sanitary Workroom.



OUR GREAT JANUARY SALE OF LINENS, TOWELS, NAPKINS, BED SPREADS, TOWELING AND WHITE GOODS BEGINS ALSO TOMORROW ::::::::::::::::::::

INSPIRED BY THE ENORMOUS INCREASE IN OUR BUSINESS LAST YEAR OVER ALL PREVIOUS YEARS SINCE WE OPENED OUR STORE IN DECATUR, WE HAVE DETERMINED TO BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WITH A CLEARANCE SALE, A MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE AND A JANUARY LINEN SALE THAT WILL POSITIVELY BE THE GREATEST DECATUR HAS EVER KNOWN. TO CLEAR UP EVERY DEPARTMENT OF ODDS AND ENDS, TO DISPOSE OF ALL SURPLUS STOCKS, TO BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WELL AND TO MAKE THIS SALE

THE TALK OF THE TOWN WE WILL OFFER THE GREATEST ARRAY OF GENUINE BARGAINS EVER YET PLACED BEFORE YOU

Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets

SENSATIONAL PRICES TO CLEAR UP THESE DEPARTMENTS.

Fine Black Dress Goods Big Reductions

45-inch all wool Cheviot Serges, instead of 75c, go for a **49c**
45-inch all wool Basket Cloths; instead of 60c, go for **49c**
45-inch all wool Homespuns; instead of 75c, go for a **49c**
45-inch all wool Pierola Cloths; instead of 75c, go for a **49c**
45-inch all wool Homespuns that sold for 85c, now **59c**
45-inch all wool Zibeline **59c**
45-inch all wool Granite Cloths; instead of 85c, now a **59c**
45-inch all wool Satin Biber; instead of 85c, now a **59c**
45-inch Clay Worsted that sold for 90c; now a **69c**
45-inch all wool Etamines English Worsted Suits, Whip Cords and Zibelines, that sold for 95c; **69c**
45-inch Cheviot Serges, 54-inch Homespuns, 54-inch Storm Cheviots, all regular \$1 dress goods; **75c**
45-inch beautiful Irish Poplins, 45-inch Vienna Cloths, 45-inch all wool Strath Serges, all regular \$1.50 Dress Goods, now a **98c**

Fine Imported All Wool Dress Goods

**An Extraordinary Bargain—
23c yard**
Beautiful all-wool Serges, Henriettas, Silk and wool novelties, fancy Plaids, etc., etc. Dress goods ranging in width from 36 to 45 inches and in regular prices from 35c to 50c. To clear up this department, choice of anything in this entire lot, a **23c**
75c all-wool Cheviots, an elegant range of colors, go for **49c**
60c colored Basket Cloths, **49c**
Handsome Zibeline Cloths, imported Etamines, Homespuns, Granite Cloths and the desirable diamond weaves; all 75c colored dress goods; **49c**
Pebble Cheviots, imported English Serges, imported Viennas, imported French Broadcloths, Melrose Suits, Venevians and Hue Paquetin Serges, ranging in width from 36 to 45 inches; dress goods that sold for \$1.25 and \$1.39; choice now a **98c**
1000 yards of linings, 36 inches wide, including mercerized linings, Perendale linings, Silasias and spun glass linings; regular price from 12 1/2c to 25c a yard; but to close out every short length of lining in our store, choice a yard **5c**

Colored Dress Goods For Children's School Dresses

**Every day and
Street Dresses.**
Regular 10c Worsted Plaids, **4c**
Regular 15c double fold Cashmeres and double fold Breaches, now **10c**
40-inch Wool Serges, all the desirable shades, and 36-inch Fancy Broadcloths, Dress Goods that sold for 25c a yard; clearing sale price for anything in this entire lot, a **17c**

Millinery Away Less Than Half Price

Millinery
Trim hats sold from upwards of 150 times their value, choice for almost your own price.
\$1.00 Trimmed Hats go **\$1.98**
\$2.00 Trimmed Hats go **\$2.49**
\$3.00 Trimmed Hats go **\$2.98**
\$4.00 Trimmed Hats go **\$3.98**
Upwards of 125 ready-to-wear hats that sold from \$1.25 to \$2.00 Monday and as long as they last, choice **49c**
Children's Trimmed Hats that sold for 70c, now **25c**
Silk Petticoats
\$6.00 Silk Petticoats **\$3.98**
\$7.50 Silk Petticoats **\$4.98**
Black Mercerized Petticoats at almost half price, 98c, **\$1.98**
\$1.25, \$1.49 and

Laces and Embroideries
5000 yards of Tulle Laces, including 7c, 8c and 10c values; January price, a yard **3c**
12,000 yards of Oriental and fine Platt Val Laces, including laces worth from 1c to 25c a yard; January price, a yard **10c**
Upwards of 3000 yards of regular 6c embroidery edgings, January price, a yard **3c**
1000 remnants of embroideries and insertions, lengths of from 2 to 6 yards; regular price 10c to 15c a yard; wide and narrow, January price, a yard **6 1/2c**
Ladies' 25c gloves and mittens, now a pair **15c**
Ladies' 15c double mittens, now a pair **10c**
All our regular \$1 ladies' kid gloves, now a pair **69c**

Clearance Sale of Cloaks, Suits, Skirts, Waists

In Many Instances Less than the Cost of the Material.

Ladies' \$15 long Cloaks for **\$8.50**
Ladies' \$25 long Cloaks for **\$13.50**
Ladies' \$40 long Cloaks **\$19.50**
Ladies' \$25 Electric Seal Fur Coats for **\$14.50**
Ladies' \$50 Electric Seal Fur Coats for **\$29.00**
Ladies' \$7.50 and \$4.98 Winter Jackets for **\$2.98**
Ladies' \$10.00 Golf Capes **\$4.98**
Children's \$5.00 Winter Jacks for **\$2.98**
Children's \$6.50 Winter Jacks for **\$3.98**

Ladies' \$10.00 Tailor Made Suits, go for **\$5**
Ladies' \$12.50 Tailor Made Suits go for **\$7.50**
Ladies' \$20, \$22.50 and \$25 Suits for \$15 **\$10**
Ladies' \$5 Walking Skirts go for \$2.98 **\$2.98**
Ladies' \$6.50 Walking Skirts for \$3.98 **\$3.98**
Ladies' \$7.50 Walking Skirts for \$4.98 **\$4.98**
Ladies' \$10 and \$12.50 Skirt Dress Skirts go for **\$6.98**
Ladies' exquisite Taffeta and Velvet Skirts; regular price from \$15 to \$18.50; go for **\$10**

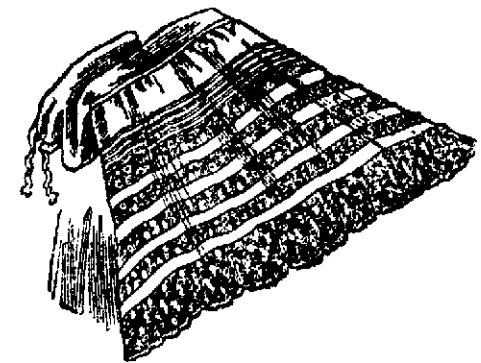
Ladies' Flannel Waists
Regular \$1 Flannel Waists, very nice styles; now **50c**
Regular \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 Flannel Waists for **98c**
Ladies' regular \$2 and \$3.50 Waists for **\$1.98**
\$5 and \$6 Waists for **\$2.98**
\$7 Silk Waists **\$3.98**
\$6.50 Velvet Waists **\$3.48**
\$1 fancy pink and light blue Dressing Sacques for **49c**
\$3.00 very beautiful Dressing Sacques for **\$1.69**
\$1.50 very handsome Elderdow Dressing Sacques for **98c**



Our January Sale of Muslin Underwear

This sale will be the greatest ever known in Decatur in beautiful Muslin Underwear. Far away back last summer before the advance of 20 per cent in Cottons and when the Under-muslin factories were idle, we placed our orders for this great January sale. By so doing we secured by far and away lower prices and every garment we show is well made and of generous proportions, our Gowns are full length and our Skirts full widths. This is a most important feature in Muslin Underwear. We feel that the display we have prepared will fully realize your expectations and our promise—the grandest display of fine Muslin Underwear ever shown in this city. We are showing the kinds of Muslin Underwear you would find at Wanamaker's of New York, or Marshall Field's of Chicago.

Every garment we offer for sale was made in a sanitary workshop



Gowns at Special Prices.

30c, 40c, 50c, 75c, 80c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.39, \$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.98, \$3.48 and up.

Skirts all Special Prices

Regular 25c damask towels, the largest huck towel you ever saw for this price; instead of 15c, this sale, choice **10c**
Regular 50c table padding, now a yard **29c**

Chemise, all Special Prices

40c, 60c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.49 and up.

Corset Covers, all Special Prices

10c, 15c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 60c, 70c, 80c, 98c and up.

Drawers, all Special Prices

10c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 98c, \$1.25 and up.

Linens, Domestic, White Goods

An Actual Saving of 25 Per Cent.

Table Linens
10 pieces of half-bleached Irish table linen, 54 to 60 inches wide, that sold for 25c; January sale price, **25c**
20 pieces of half-bleached Irish linen, 2 yards wide, that usually sells for 50c a yard; January sale price, **43c**
15 pieces of Stillier's celebrated German table linens, full bleached, satin finish; regular retail price 75c; sale price, a yard **55c**
German imported Irish satin damask, 2 yards wide, over 25 patterns to select from; linens sold everywhere in a regular way for \$1 a yard; January sale price, a yard **69c**
Regular \$1.50 finest satin damasks, with free borders, the finest kinds of imported Irish table linens; this sale, a yard **98c**

Towels
28 dozen all line satin damask knotted fringe towels; never before sold less than 15c; January sale price **10c**
Regular 25c damask towels **10c**
45 dozen large linen huck towels, the largest huck towel you ever saw for this price; instead of 15c, this sale, choice **10c**
Regular 50c table padding, now a yard **29c**
Towelings
Full bleached cotton crash, a yard **2 1/2c**
Stevens' regular 7c unbleached linen crash, now **5c**
Regular 8c German toweling, now a yard **6c**
Extra wide and heavy all-bleached toweling, worth 12 1/2c, now a yard **10c**

Sheetings
Good heavy yard wide unbleached sheeting, the best 5c sheeting in Decatur; our price this sale **3 1/2c**
A yard **5c**
Extra heavy elegant unbleached sheeting, a yard **5c**
Full bleached yard wide muslin, the best 8 1/2c grades, now **6 1/2c**
Bleached sheeting, 2 1/4 yards wide, regular price 21c, now a yard **15c**
Full standard calico, regular 5c grade, a yard **2 1/2c**
The very best Indigo blue, silver grey and black and white 6c calicoes, a yard **3 1/2c**
2000 yards of regular 5c and 6c outing flannels, now a yard **3 1/2c**

Blankets PRICED AWAY I W N To Close Out Quickly

50c Blankets now **39c**
75c Blankets now **59c**
\$1.00 Blankets now **69c**
Great large heavy elegant warm regular \$1.50 Blankets, now a pair **98c**
All our \$3.50 and \$3.98 extra size all wool Blankets, go for a **\$2.98**
Beautiful white and fancy Blankets that sold for \$5 and \$5.50, now a pair **\$3.98**
Ready made pillow cases, hand turned, instead of 10c, **6c**
Now each **10c**
Regular 15c pillow cases **10c**
Full 9-4 ready made sheets, instead of 50c, now **47c**
Regular 85c white bedspreads for **59c**
Regular \$1.50 white bedspreads, beautiful Marseilles patterns, now **98c**

Basement Bargains The Greatest Yet, From 8 to 10 a. m. EVERY MORNING THIS WEEK

Notwithstanding that soap has kept in the procession of advancing in price with all other goods, and that for the next lot we will have to pay an advance of 25 per cent, all this week we offer the best laundry soap as low if not lower than ever. We have in stock 200 cases of N. K. Fairbank's high grade 10-ounce bars of laundry soap. Remember, a good tallow laundry soap, such as is usually retailed 6 bars for 25c. To induce early trading all this week, from 9 to 10 a. m., we will sell 12 big bars for **25c**
25c black jappaned coal scuttles for 15c
15c tin pails for **10c**
15c wash basins **10c**
35c granite wash basins, porcelain lined **25c**
25c granite tea and coffee pots for **22c**
Thousands of articles in tinware, glassware, hardware, crockery, etc., for 10c and

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TEN CENTS A WEEK.

LOCAL AND OTHER GOOD STORIES

The Knocker is the man who hurls the town. He is an insidious individual of every age and sex strike a blow when the opportunity offers. No matter what success he has attained or has not attained he poses as an individual of consequence and generally manages to impress the individual to whom he is talking. A traveling man said to a reporter the other evening, "I make all the important towns in this state and consider Decatur one of the best. It may be a little old fashioned in some respects, but it is better than the average in a great many things. The one trouble with your town is the knocking by home people. I came down on a train tonight with a Decatur man. He was in a crowd and of all the knocking I ever heard he was doing it. Knowing him as I did I paid no attention to him but the others in the party did not know him and his word, for the time being, at least, was as good as though he were the most important man in the city. This is the kind of fellows who do a town more harm than any others. I always wonder why they stay in a town than is so dispelling to them."

Some of you folks who worried about "what to give" for Christmas presents may think that you had a hard time, but think of some of the poor people who received the presents.

There is a young woman in Decatur who has had a most distressing experience in receiving presents. She has worried under that care for several years but the Christmas of 1901 was the last straw. Perhaps next year she will send notice to her acquaintances that she is not receiving presents in order that she may save herself further unpleasant experiences.

These works every day in a down town establishment a young woman who makes many friends. She is so kind and obliging, always pleasant, that nine out of ten of the counter acquaintances she makes each year feel in duty bound to remember her on Christmas day. Just before the holidays she was in fear that her experience of former years would be repeated and she confided in a friend that she didn't know what on earth she would do if she received any more—paper knives, for instance, for she had during the last three or four years received eleven of those articles. Christmas morning she opened first a likely appearing package and it contained a paper knife. Wounded, she sat down and cried. Who could blame her? But her troubles did not end there. During the day she received three other paper knives, making a total of fifteen that have been given her in recent years.

But the record of paper knives is not approached by the record of blue stationery. By the way, her pet stationery is

POLISH LANGUAGE CONTEST

A Pole's Account of the Troubles and Trials at Wresch

In February of the current year the teachers of the elementary school at Wresch in Polish Wresch had decided to submit to school authorities a project for teaching Polish children religion in German. It having been ascertained that the pupils are familiar with the German tongue, the project was accepted, with this proviso, however, that teachers should, in the first three weeks, only read the Holy Scriptures, without asking the children to recite lessons, in order not to irritate the Polish population, who had protested against the innovation, invoking the text of educational rules in general and those concerning the teaching of religion in particular. When, at the end of three weeks, teachers began to question the pupils in German, the children refused to answer. Whole-day punishments followed, but the school authorities, informed of the occurrence, ordered another respite of three weeks, to be devoted to lectures alone. The children still remained obdurate at the expiration of this term, and some went even the length of telling the teachers they had no right to teach Poles their religion in German.

This time the government interfered, ordering severe punishments, incarceration and flogging—without avail, however. The most painful and degrading punishments were suffered in silence and with a resistance worthy of a better cause. A typical case is that of a thirteen-year-old girl, Smutowicz, by name, a baker's daughter, who, after having been called, refused even to handle a book of catechism in German. The child was then flogged severely. Her father protested against the cruelty and the shame of the punishment, appealing in turn to all authorities and the German emperor himself, all in vain. Other parents whose children suffered likewise, fared similarly. Things went from bad to worse, and soon reached a crisis. On the 20th of May the whole school was kept for an hour under arms, and when afterward the pupils

thinned note paper. She never uses anything but white. Christmas, 1900, she received thirteen boxes of tinted note paper. She has added to that collection and carefully laid away twenty-seven boxes of note paper, all tinted, that she will never use. She has an assortment of shoe horns—there are seven of them of all kinds and qualities.

With gloves and shoe buttoners no woman in town is so well supplied. Ivory and pearl handled, tiny affairs, buttoners with ebony handles, sterling silver and others less pretentious, until she has arrayed in her apartments twenty-four buttoners.

Of writing desk sets she has four, and six seals. Instead of showing this young woman a favor in giving her presents her life has been made miserable. Her friends would perhaps do her kindness to pass her up one year, for then she would at least be spared the chagrin of smiling over duplicates and reciprocating things she didn't want in the first place.

Taking a verse from Revelation as the basis of computation, some industrious and probably uneasy fellow has again been figuring out the dimensions of heaven.

THERE IS ROOM IN HEAVEN FOR ALL OF US, AND SOME LEFT.

xx, 21, and reads as follows: "And he measured the city with the reed, 12,000 furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal." He concludes that this represents a space of 460,753,088,000,000,000,000 cubic feet. The enterprising statistician sets aside one-half of this space for the throne and the court of heaven, and one-half of the balance for streets, which would leave a remainder of 124,188,272,000,000,000,000 cubic feet. He then proceeds to divide this by 4096, the number of cubical feet in a room sixteen feet square, and this process gives him 30,321,843,750,000,000 rooms of the size indicated. He then proceeds upon the hypothesis that the world now contains, always has contained, and will always contain 900,000,000 inhabitants, and that a generation lasts for thirty-three and one-third years, which gives a total number of inhabitants every century of 2,297,000,000. He assumes that the world will stand 1000 centuries or 100,000 years, which would give a total of 2,297,000,000,000 inhabitants for this period of time. He then reaches the reassuring conclusion that if 100 worlds of the same size and duration, and containing the same number of inhabitants, should redeem all the inhabitants, there would be more than 100 rooms of the size indicated for each person. Men have not thought so much about the size of heaven. They have probably always felt that there would be ample room for those who would be able to get there. If a lack of room were possible, in the divine order of things, it would probably be at the other place, judging from the pronouncements that are made from time to time. Room has

never been a matter of serious consideration with men who have pruned long enough in the whirl of events to meditate on the blessings which are to follow a life of righteousness. The main question and the one in which all men are most concerned, is the simple question of the shortest, best and safest way. Put in different language, they want to know how to get there, and if the studious statistician will figure out some plan that will meet with general satisfaction along this line, he will probably smooth out the furrows which now mark the faces of uneasy sinners.

There is a good story told of how a young man in Decatur happens to be in the employ or was

at one time in the employ of a well known money lender.

HOW A MONEY LENDER WAS QUICK TO RECOGNIZE TALENT.

Just to illustrate, the money lender will be Smith and the other fellow Jones. The latter was a borrower and had renewed his loan several times until the interest and commissions had swelled the sum total of his indebtedness. But he was resourceful; he bought a lot in one of the outlying additions. The addition in question was crossed by a big gutter which was of such extent that one of the lots at least was all ditch. That was just the kind of a lot Jones wanted and he bought it for \$2.50. He had the deed made in the name of a third person, and the consideration written in the deed was a big one. Then the third person borrowed money from Jones and gave a mortgage on the ditch. The sum supposed to be loaned on the ditch was many times its value. In fact it is a question if the lot was worth the \$2.50 originally paid for it. When all of the details had been arranged Jones took his mortgage to Smith and said, "Here Smith, I can't pay you the money that I owe you but I've got a mortgage on a lot and the fellow can't pay it. I'll assign the mortgage to you on condition that you surrender my notes and you can foreclose on the real estate." Money was coming easy and the money lender was not suspecting a gold brick and took the bait. When he realized how he had been skinned he concluded that he needed a man with the fine edge carried by Jones to help in the business and straightaway hired him. That's a true story all but the names.

Booker Taliaferro Washington, A. M., was born a slave on a large plantation near the small village of Hale's

FROM SLAVERY TO FOREMOST MAN OF HIS RACE.

Fort in Franklin county, Virginia. At the time he came into the world no careful registry of births of colored people was kept, so we do not know for a certainty the exact date of his birth, but suppose it to have been in the year 1858.

With the rest of the colored race he became free by Lincoln's Proclamation and from that time he has shown the

highest ambition in his life. In 1885 he went to West Virginia with his parents and until 1874 worked in the salt furnaces and coal mines of the state. During this time he received some schooling at a school near his home. Until this time he had never known any other name than Booker, but when required to give another name he chose Washington, and has carried that name ever since.

Fired by ambition to know more he started to Hampton's institute at Hampton, Virginia, in 1872. This is a college for colored people where they can earn their way through college. Working as janitor and studying mostly at night, he managed to graduate in 1875. The next three years after his graduation he remained at Hampton as post graduate and instructor.

In 1881 a call came from the little town of Tuskegee, Ala., for a competent man to teach a school at that place. Booker T. Washington was chosen as the man for the place and was sent to take charge of the school. He had to master many difficulties but with perseverance he overcame all obstacles. Beginning with almost nothing the Tuskegee institute now owns 2500 acres of land. Of this amount about 700 acres are under cultivation. There are on the school grounds 48 buildings and of these all but a few have been erected by the labor of the students. There are 50 wagons and buggies and 600 head of live stock. The total value of the real and personal property is over \$300,000. If we add to this the endowment fund of \$165,000 the total property value is \$465,000, and if we take into consideration the 25,000 acres of public land recently granted to the institute by congress the total property value is \$500,000.

The students earn from working at their trades and other industries about \$56,000 a year. The total expenditure for carrying on this work is about \$80,000. Beginning with 30 students the number has grown until they now have over 1000 from 24 states, Africa, Jamaica, Cuba, Porto Rico, and other foreign countries.

Booker T. Washington has continued principal of the Tuskegee institute since 1881. In addition to this he is author of "Black Belt Diamonds" and of a large number of magazines and newspaper articles.

He has rendered valuable service to the colored race during the years 1890-1902 by emphasizing through his work at Tuskegee the fact that the solution of the negro problem in the United States is not to be attained so much by the negro's assertion of his political rights as along the lines of intellectual and industrial improvement.

His work at Tuskegee and the influence he exerts by reason of his intellectual gifts easily make him the successor of Frederick Douglass in the leadership of the colored race in the United States.

"What a minister of the gospel earns on the side depends a good deal on his influence and that of his congregation," remarked a Decatur preacher the other day, "and commensurate with the popularity of his church. Wedding fees constitute the greater part of this income, which is small enough as it is, but occasionally we get a fee for our services at a funeral. We do not usually accept fees in the latter cases, because we feel that it is very little we can do in a time of such poignant sorrow and the acceptance of money would tend to indicate that the sympathetically expressed was not sincere. I had very recently, however, a tender of \$5 at a funeral and I politely declined, but the man appeared to feel hurt and insisted that he 'wanted the wife put away proper'."

The law allows a marriage fee of \$2, and I do not remember that I ever got less than that amount, the average being \$5, with frequently double that amount, and sometimes \$20." While there are comparatively few people who ask a minister to officiate at a wedding without a fee, there are hundreds of them who expect a preacher to attend and perform the last rites for their dead and never suppose that the occasion calls for a substantial remuneration. The ordinary Decatur minister is called upon to officiate at funerals almost every week, and receives comparatively few fees for this kind of work. Whether such a thing is necessary is still a somewhat mooted question. It is almost the universal custom in very large cities for ministers to receive pay for services at funerals, but in places of the population of Decatur or smaller to leave this question to the discretion of the family of the deceased. One Decatur minister expressed himself on this question as follows: "I always very willingly donate my services for funerals of any family in my congregation, or for others with whom I have had more or less intimate personal relations. But it seems to me something like an imposition on the good nature of the clergy to ask them to give up time and energy demanded in their pastoral labors, to make all arrangements, even including music, for funerals in families that are total strangers to them, and then perhaps not receive even so much as a 'thank you' for their pains."

Elbert Hubbard, who was a product of McLean county, and is now famous by reason of the Philistine, tells the story of his own life in the January Cosmopolitan and it will certainly prove interesting to the admirers of the Rogersites. Mr. Hubbard talks straight from the shoulder always and he aims quite as true when he tells his own tales as he does when he has his pet dislikes for a target. He does not spare himself. He

THE LIFE OF ELBERT HUBBARD OF THE PHILISTINE

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says that he is not popular, that editors do not like him and that no man has waited longer in the entryway of magazines and been handed trappé more often. He says he is not rich, nor an orator, nor a ten-thousand-dollar beauty. He says that his virtue has never been of no extreme a type, as to challenge attention, but that the secret of his success lies in the fact that he came forward and told the truth when people were tired of the eternal soft platitudes, silly truisms and undisputed things said in solemn way. The Philistine was issued "to tell what I thought of things in general and publishers and editors in particular." It was intended to run a year "to keep faith with the misguided who had subscribed" and began with a dozen readers. It now has a circulation of one hundred thousand copies a month.

Everyone has read the "Message to Garcia," but every one did not know that it was written in less than an hour in the family sitting room one night after supper. When order for extra numbers began to come in, Hubbard asked one of his helpers what it was that had stirred up the people. "It's that thing about Garcia," she said.

The career of Mr. Hubbard given as he gives it in synopsis form, is worth repeating:

"Born on a farm in Illinois. At 15 worked on a farm and did a man's work for a boy's pay. Skipped for the west and became a cowboy. Tired of this and went to Chicago; peddled soap from house to house; shored lumber on the docks; read all the books I could find; got a job as traveling salesman; taught school and read Emerson, Carlyle, Macaulay; worked in a soap factory; read Shakespeare and committed most of 'Hamlet' to memory with an eye on the stage; became manager of a soap factory, then partner; evolved on idea for the concern and put it on the track of making millions—knew it was going to make millions—didn't want them; sold out my interest for \$75,000 and went to Harvard college; tramped through Europe; wrote two books (couldn't find a publisher); taught night school in Buffalo; came back to East Aurora and started 'Chautauqua Circles'; studied Greek and Latin; raised trotting horses; wrote 'Little Journeys.'"

Of his career as a lecturer Mr. Hubbard laughs. He gets an immense amount of fun out of himself. Last year he gave 81 lectures and made \$10,000 but he says that lecturing is hard work as "since we are going through life for the last time," such demands on the vitality are not to be continued and as a lecturer he is about done.

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THE JOB SUITS HIM.

WILL SING AT CORONATION

during the civil war. At that time I was in charge of the telegraph bureau in the war department. We were working day and night at fever heat, and when the news came of the fall of Vicksburg, I remember that we sent a messenger out for a can of beer. Of course, it was contrary to the rules of the office to drink anything of the sort there, but we were so exhausted, and, withal, so jubilant over the glorious news, that we couldn't resist the temptation. We were passing the bucket around when, to our astonishment and alarm, in strode the president, who had come to look over our dispatches at first hand. You can imagine our embarrassment. There was no use in attempting to deny or conceal. We had been caught by the chief executive. He had seen the tell-tale can, and, although this was now, practically empty, Lincoln was too shrewd a man not to know that we were all guilty of violating one of the strictest orders of the war department. But he affected at first not to notice. Coming over to my instrument, he asked to see the latest dispatch. He read it slowly, and turning to the messenger, who had been hoping for a favorable moment to make his escape with the can, Lincoln said:

"'What have you in that bucket?'"

"'Answering for the startled messenger, I explained what we had been doing.'"

"'Any beer left?'" said the president.

"'I told him that we had drunk it all, 'Here,' said Lincoln, pulling a 25-cent piece from his pocket, 'go and fill it up again.' So saying he turned again to the telegrams."

The messenger arrived with the beer, and Mr. Lincoln looked up and told him to pass it around.

"'Mr. President,' I ventured to say, 'if I get a glass will you not do us the great honor to share the beer with us?'"

"'Never mind the glass,' he replied. 'I'll drink when it comes my turn.'"

"Of course we all insisted that he take the first drink, and with a message still clutched in his right hand, telling how Grant had won the great victory, President Lincoln grasped the bucket with both hands, and, tipping it up, drank heartily.

"We all believed, as the president did, that the capitulation of the southern stronghold made the turning point of the war, and after the many northern reverses the news of so signal a triumph for the federal arms had awakened our profoundest gratitude and patriotism. And to have our beloved president sharing our simple, though contraband, celebration was a sacred thing to us. When he had finished drinking Mr. Lincoln handed the can to me. It is incongruous, no doubt, but I have never since tasted beer so refreshing as that was, and, as for the can, money could not have bought it from the messenger."

She—Do you like dark hair or golden? He—Dark; you can always see it quicker in the butter.—Yonkers Statesman.

THE MISSSES McFarland, Twin Sisters, Honored by Edward VII.

Miss Mary McFarland and Miss Marie McFarland, twin sisters, of this city, who are well known as much for their beauty as for their talents as songsters, have been chosen to sing at the coronation ceremonies of King Edward VII to be held next summer. The Misses McFarland have been great travelers, and it was upon one of their journeys through Europe that they met the present king of England, at that time Prince of Wales. It is stated that the royal command to sing at the ceremonies proceeds directly from the king and is not the outcome of the plans of the committee which has this matter in hand. This is felt to be an additional honor, and the residents of this city who have watched the careers of the twin sisters with a kindly interest are greatly pleased over the matter.—Denver Dispatch.

Growth of Suburbanism

It is not many years ago that people lived in the suburbs simply as a matter of economy. Now they live in these parts because higher ideals may often be obtained here. From reports personally obtained from twenty-eight of the largest cities in America—north, south, east, and west—it was shown that during two recent years over \$420,000,000 had been incorporated and spent in private purchases and the development of lands adjacent to large cities, for suburban operations. Over \$80,000,000 have been voted and spent by trolley and railroad companies to extend their services beyond the limits of these cities, says Country Life in America. Nearly half a billion of dollars have, therefore, been invested within two years in the proposed development of suburban properties, in addition to the millions of dollars already invested.

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CONTROLLER'S REPORT

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Showing the Condition of the City's Cash Box on January 1.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night, Comptroller H. F. Robbins will present his monthly report of the receipts and expenditures during the month of December, together with the balances in the various funds on Jan. 1:	
Water rent	\$31 34
Justice peace fines	35 75
Taxidermy license	50 00
Public license	45 00
Auction license	20 00
Seavenger license	10 00
Wagon license	7 00
Fees	2 00
Flushing sewer	2 00
Dog license	1 25

\$1,181 84

Street paving collected

Sewer tax collected

Total collected

EXPENDITURES.

Library	651 01
Police	1,250 14
Fire department	1,900 00
Water	4,858 25
Public improvement	1,121 70
Repairing paved streets	102 12
Contingent	303 00
Health	88 50
Light	481 41
Cleaning paved streets	201 38
Sidewalks and crossings	261 01
Streets and alleys	173 05
Cleaning crossings	64 72
Salary	780 99

BALANCES JAN. 1.

Police	\$5,970 23
Fire	6,837 31
Water	6,124 72
Public improvement	2,185 75
Repairing paved streets	255 08
Contingent	515 00
Health	1,770 54
Cleaning streets	2,058 08
Sidewalks and crossings	42 53
Cleaning crossings	823 54
Salaries	3,160 00
Rent	1,522 15
Interest	1,500 00

ALL STARS.

Tom Oliver Has Selected His Team of Juveniles For 1902.

Tom R. Oliver, who makes a specialty of championing juvenile baseball organizations, is to be in the field the coming season. He has issued some cards on which he says:

"The unexcelled record of the All Stars during the season of 1901, when they won 33 out of the 37 games played—defeating every team they played except two and they both disbanded within a week, make them easily the champion amateur team of Macon county, if not of central Illinois."

He has already selected his nine for the coming season and according to his card announcement, it will be as follows: Wood, shortstop; McGarry, right field; Hayes or Garland, catcher; Coover, left field; A. Ruark, third base; House or Williams, second base; Scribner, first base; Whitley, center field; T. Ruark, Morrissey or Tolladay, pitcher. The ages of the All Stars members range from 15 to 17 years old and even the older players who do not share the enthusiasm of Oliver say that it will do well to watch some of the youngsters who are likely to develop into comers worth mentioning.

The Juror.

If the jury is to be preserved, some other things must be done—things necessary to elevate its character, make it a fair representative of the highest intelligence of the community or at least of the average, and not, as it now generally is, of the lowest intelligence, writes Associate Justice David J. Brewer, in The International Monthly for January. All know that the ordinary business man, the intelligent citizen, shirks jury duty with about as much zeal as he runs from a battle-scarred man. There are a multitude of lawyers around a court room seeking the meagre pay which attaches to the position, who cultivate the law, and become professional jurors. I make these suggestions as felt in the matter. First, give them better compensation. As a rule they are paid no more than the ordinary day wages of an unskilled laborer, and it is generally true that poor pay brings poor service. Better eight jurors reasonably paid than a dozen poorly paid. Secondly, free the work of the juror from some of the disagreeable annoyances which now too often attend it. He should not be compelled to work more hours than the judge. To shut him up and keep him confined day and night is a crime against society. He is treated too often as an object of suspicion, as though he were probably dishonest and must be specially shielded from temptation. Why should he be shut up while the judge is not? A bad man on the bench or in the jury box will surely find ways to be tempted, and few things are more calculated to degrade his office in the sight of the juror, and to bring out all the evil that is in him, than the consciousness that he is an object of suspicion. I have been nearly thirty-seven years on the bench, and take pleasure in recalling that, so far as it was possible, I always relieved the juror from confinement other than such as I myself submitted to; that I endeavored to make him in the discharge of his duties free from suspicion and annoyance. And I have not the slightest reason to doubt that the course thus pursued resulted not merely to the comfort of the juror, but in a better administration of justice.

If troubled with a weak digestion, belching, sour stomach, or if you feel dull after eating, try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cents. Samples free at all drug stores.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Westminster Chapel—Regular preaching service Sabbath evening 7:30 o'clock.

Sabbath school 2 p. m.

College Street Chapel—Preaching service Sabbath morning at 10:45 o'clock.

Sabbath school 2 p. m.

First Methodist, H. C. Gibbs, pastor.

—General class and Junior League at 9:30 a. m., public worship at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "God's Answering Call to His Church."

Evening subject, "The Things We Should Leave for Christ." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Devotional meeting of the Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

Asbury M. E. T. D. Wooms, pastor.

Class meeting 9:30 a. m., preaching 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 2:30 p. m., Junior League 4:30 p. m., Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Special meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock.

Grace M. E. church, Wm. Brandon pastor.

Class meeting 9:30, preaching 10:30 and 7:30, Sunday school 2:30.

Morning subject, "Prayer." Evening subject, "The Greatest Blessings."

First English Lutheran, H. Peters, pastor.

—Regular services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preparatory and Communion services in the morning. New Year's sermon, "The Need of God's Help in the Journey of Life." In the evening the sixteenth discourse in the series of "The Questions of the Bible." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., Catechetical class at 3 p. m.

Central Church of Christ—Services to day at usual hours. Communion 10:45 a. m., followed by sermon and selection of officers for the church. Three elders, seven deacons, and six deaconesses will be chosen. Rev. Burnham will set forth the qualifications of respective officers in a brief discourse.

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. The report of committee announcing the officers chosen for the school will be made at the opening.

Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. Evening service 7:30. Subject of sermon, "Will It Pay?"

Leadland Avenue Chapel Sunday school 9 o'clock a. m.

Antioch Baptist church, Rev. F. Bates, pastor.

—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m., 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m.

A. M. E. A. T. Jackson, pastor.

Church Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. All are invited to attend.

Church of God, D. H. Rupp, pastor.

Public service 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., preaching by the pastor. There will be an ordinance service in the evening.

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Young People's Endeavor 6:30 p. m. The meetings will be continued next week. Elder J. W. Kingston of Martinsville, Ill., will preach and assist the pastor.

Cumberland Presbyterian church, W. Eldorado and Monroe streets—Public worship 10:45 and 7:30. Sunday school 9:30. Junior Endeavor 2:30. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30. Communion service will be observed in connection with the morning service. Subject of evening sermon, "Opportunities That Pass."

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Powers block, fourth floor, rooms 412 and 413½. Service at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "God." All are welcome.

St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. Douglas C. Peabody, rector.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Service sermon and holy communion at 10:45 a. m. Evening prayer and lecture at 7:30 p. m.

All Angel's Mission, Charles J. Hartley, lay reader in charge.

Sunday school at 2:15 p. m. Even song at 3:30 p. m.

Presbyterian church, W. H. Penhalligon, minister—Public worship at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach at both services. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. A. H. Mills superintendent.

Junior Endeavor at 3:30 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

Baptist church—Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m. Public worship at 10:45. Communion at 10:45. Junior C. E. at 3 p. m. Senior C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Public worship at 7:30 p. m. Subject of sermon, "Voices of Yesterday."

First Congregational church, Horace L. Strain, pastor—Morning service at 10:45. Sermon by the pastor with communion and reception of new members. Evening service at 7:30. Special address to men, "The Manliness of Christ." Sunday school at 9:30.

Union Mission—Gospel meeting at 8:30. Sunday school at 2:30.

St. Patrick's Catholic church—At the St. Patrick's Catholic church the services will be as usual. The first mass will be at 7:30 o'clock. The second at 9 o'clock. Both will be said by Rev. Dean Murphy. The last mass will be at 10:30 o'clock and will be said by Father Loughery.

There will be a high mass at 8 o'clock Monday morning in honor of the feast of Epiphany.

Will Fight Trusts.

Larry Page Gaston, who has always been a relentless foe of the cigarette, has now transferred some of her antagonism to its makers.

She announces that in the future the tobacco trust must be on its guard against her.

She thinks that the supposition that she may bust the trust is not out of the question.

Why Municipal Reform Drags

"Yes, and the residents all along the street throw every bit of their coffee grounds into the back alley."

"Well, that's all right, isn't it? The more the better."

"Sir! May I ask why you advance such a singular theory?"

"Certainly you may. I deal in coffee."

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Squaring Himself.

He (just introduced)—What a very homely person that gentleman near the piano is, Mrs. Black.

She—Isn't he? That is Mr. Black.

He—How true it is, Mrs. Black, that the homeliest men always get the prettiest wives.



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THE HOWARD GOULDS' FUN

They Gave Some Poor Little Tots a Merry Merry Christmas.

One hundred children that everybody else had forgotten in this merry holiday time—these were the little ones selected by Mrs. Howard Gould as her guests at the famous Christmas tree festival in the Tuxedo, Madison avenue and Fifty-ninth street, the other afternoon.

Miss Lucy Bainbridge, worker of the City mission, had been taken into counsel. "I want," said Mrs. Gould, "all the children that aren't going to have any Christmas. How many? The number doesn't matter. Just all of them!"

So the Mission of Sea and Land, the DeWitt memorial and the Broome street tabernacle were ransacked for a list of leftovers, and when you hear the story you won't wonder why they gave "three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Gould," with a gusto that fairly shook the rafters.

They came in Fifth avenue stages and arrived in a state of hilarious joy, to be handed down by liveried servants and whisked away to a fairyland they had never even dreamed of. Most of them were little sweatshop workers, tiny girls and boys who pull bastings from garments, and Italians predominated.

Mrs. Gould, tucking her black velvet gown under her arm, marshaled them into the big room where the feast was spread, and made her first inroad on their affections by feeding her little folks. Sandwiches and chocolate, ice cream, cakes and fruit she brought them with her own hands, pressing every one into service to satisfy their ever-repeated wants.

This done, old "Punch and Judy" played out their laughable tragedy and sleight-of-hand tricks drew out bursts of joyful applause. When the pretty performance was ended the big doors suddenly rolled back, and the great tree burst upon their view. It was a tree whose topmost branches touched the ceiling, hung with glittering tinsel and colored electric lights and boasting an array of gifts that made each rapturous child rub her unaccustomed eyes to make sure she was not dreaming.

A capering Santa Claus in red and ermine caught the first little maid by the hand, and soon had a great ring of them dancing and singing about the tree. Somebody struck up "Dolly Gray" and the youngsters shouted with might and main. When the fun had partially subsided and all were seated, Santa began the arduous task of distributing the gifts.

Mrs. Gould, with Mr. Gould to help, and each of the group of friends who were of her "receiving party" hard at work sorting toys and more substantial offerings, read out the names. It was this personal touch, each child's name on his or her package—which made them happiest of all.

"May I kiss your doll?" whispered one small girl, whose dollie had not yet arrived, of her next door neighbor. Her eyes were full of pathetic admiration as she softly caressed it, and her delight when Santa handed over a bisque beauty to her was beautiful to see.

Oranges, apples, candy and popcorn were the "goodies." The boys had tops, toy canary birds in cages and books come to both. A dress for each girl, a sweater and pair of shoes for every boy, were tucked into the big canvas bag Santa had provided.

In moments of extreme excitement some one crept to the piano and struck up "Rolie O'Grady" or "Mamie," and all the hundred swept into the chorus, Mrs. Gould laughing and clapping her hands the while.

URBANA YOUNG WOMEN

Who Are Soon to Go on the Operatic Stage.

The Misses Mabel and Ethel Bruner, daughters of Rev. Frank C. Bruner, former pastor of the M. E. church, who have gained considerable notice by reason of their sweet soprano voices, are considering the advisability of taking up operatic work. Their friends have advised the move and it is said that the young women have received several flattering offers.

Miss Mabel Bruner is at present holding a position of vocal instructor in the Southern Female college at West Point, Miss. Miss Ethel is now and has been for years, the leading soprano of the First United Presbyterian church at Chicago.

They are graduates of the Woman's Illinois college of Jacksonville, Ill., taking the literary course at that school and following it with the course in music and elocution at the Illinois Wesleyan university, where they graduated with the class honors.—Champaign Gazette.

Late Literary News.

Are England, Scotland and Ireland destined ultimately to become a part of "The United States of America and Great Britain?" is the startling inquiry which William T. Stead makes in the January Cosmopolitan. He has been one of the prophets of Great Britain, and has, at all times, been able to see in advance of his contemporaries—as events have proven. He has been studying the new conditions brought about by the industrial combinations and reaches the conclusion that England and the United States are destined to be more closely united and that as soon as the English people wake up to the absurdity and general uselessness, as has been shown in the Boer war, of a king and aristocracy, the trend will be immediate in the direction of a union with the people of the United States. However much one may differ from Mr. Stead, his speculations will be found vastly interesting. He is the first British subject who has had the courage to suggest such an outcome.

Go to Church at Home.

Mr. O'Dell installed transmitters in the Baptist and Methodist churches last week, that all persons having telephones could enjoy the services at home. In other words, if you won't go to church, Mr. O'Dell proposes to bring the church to you.—Macon Call-Mail.

Looking Out for Comfort.

Henry—"How can a man tell when he begins to get old?"

John—"Well, a man has begun to get old when he finds out that he would rather sit by the fire than go sleigh riding."—Detroit Free Press.

Died Near Argenta.

Grandma Latch, aged 98 years, died Thursday afternoon at the home of her son southwest of Argenta. At this writing funeral arrangements have not been completed.—Argenta Hustler.

THE ARCADE

Monday Greatest Grocery Day.

FINE GRANULATED SUGAR

The Best Make

20 lbs for \$1.00.

5 lbs of Bulk Lump Starch and 3 five cent packages of Ball Blueing

Monday all for 25c.

PROCTOR & GAMBLE'S

LENOX SOAP:

Monday 9 bars for 25c.

NEW NAVY BEANS:

Fine hand-picked Michigan stock; all small stores sell them for 5c a pound; our price for Monday

3 quarts for 25c

Credit Stores

25c worth of Parlor Matches

Here 10c

This match is one of the best parlor matches ever placed on the market. It is the famous The Only match, packed 200 in a box, twelve boxes in a package. Credit stores sell two boxes for 5 cents. Here, twelve boxes for 10c.

Credit Stores

\$1.20 worth Potatoes

Here 98c

These potatoes are fine large sound Michigan Rurals and are sold in all credit stores for 30c a peck; here, per bushel, only 98 cents.

Credit Stores

70c Cans Pure Ohio Maple Syrup

Here 59c

We guarantee this to be the absolutely pure Ohio sap syrup in full half gallon cans. Credit stores sell this size for 70c, our price, per can, only 59c.

Credit Stores

\$1.15 worth of best Winter Wheat Flour

Here 98c

We guarantee Arcade No. 1 winter wheat flour to give the best satisfaction. Credit stores sell flour that is not as good for \$1.15 a sack. Here our price, 50 lbs., only 98c.

Credit Stores

15c Cans Grated Pie Pineapples

Here 11c

This pineapple is put up in the large 3-lb. cans, is graded and makes one of the nicest sauces possible. Credit store price, 15c; our price here, only 11c.

Credit Stores

25c Cans of Flat Salmon Steak

Here 14c

This Salmon Steak is Washington brand of Columbia river Red Sockeye fish. Not a credit store in the city sells it for less than 25c a can. Here, per can, 14c.

Credit Stores

30c worth of New Canned Sugar Corn

Here 20c

This corn is new pack this year's goods, well filled cans, and is sold in credit stores for 10c a can; here 3 cans for 20c.

Credit Stores

25c worth Mexican Tar Soap

Here 13c

Mexican Tar Soap is without doubt one of the best toilet tar soaps ever made. These are full size regular 5c bars. Here, 5 bars for 13c.

Credit Stores

33c Mocha and Java Coffee

Here 25c

This coffee has the largest sale of any high grade coffee sold in the city. It is one of the finest flavored and smoothest drinks that can be compounded from coffees; all credit stores get 33c a pound; here 25c.

SOMETHING VERY UNUSUAL. 50 GOOD BUT OLD STYLE CLOAKS AND JACKETS.

Worth from \$4 to \$20 each; for Monday your choice for \$1.00

If you are not particular about style and want something good and warm for yourself or wish to give away now is the time to buy. The buttons on these cloaks really cost more than we are asking for the entire stock. Monday while this lot lasts your choice for \$1.00

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A NOTABLE FACT

Construction of the Inter-Urban
Has Been Wonder of
Year.

COMPETE WITH STEAM ROADS

The development of the interurban trolley lines is not realized by many. The extent to which capital has been invested and the lines constructed forms one of the most remarkable chapters in rail-road and electrical building. Decatur being so much interested at present in interurbans will read the Railway Age's account of the growth of interurbans with leisure and profit. What they have done for other states and cities they will do for Illinois and Decatur. The Railway Age says:

"The rapid development of electric railways as competitors, prospective and actual, of the steam roads, has been one of the most notable industrial facts of the past year. Commencing their existence only about fifteen years ago, electric roads have already passed through and entered fairly on four stages of growth: First, as urban railways—the street railway proper; second, as suburban railways—street railways reaching out from the city to the immediately adjoining country; third, as interurban railways—built on the highways, connecting cities and towns by lines from ten to fifteen miles long; fourth, the period of combination—interurban companies joining with others by agreement, lease or purchase, to form continuous lines measured by the hundred miles and intended to establish through car service in competition with steam roads.

"Until recently electric railways have been usually short lines of a few miles in length, and although their number is great, almost every village having its electric line, the aggregate mileage is small compared to that of the steam railways—something over 20,000 miles of street railway track in the United States, main line, second track and sidings, compared with 200,000 miles of main line of steam railway alone, and about 270,000 miles of all tracks. Yet the number of street railway companies is already comparatively large. Poor's Manual names 2224 steam railways and 1218 street railways. City railways will continue to multiply and increase as to mileage, but the most notable growth in length of lines is apparently to be on interurban or long distance roads, intended sometimes as feeders, but chiefly as competitors of steam railways. In various parts of the country scores of these lines are already in operation. Competition in passenger business has passed beyond theory to condition, and nearly every steam road in populous regions is paralleled by one or more electric roads. That the competition is to be genuine is indicated by the character of most of the roads now being built for interurban traffic—right of way owned by the company instead of occupying the highway; steel rails of 60, 70 and 80 pounds; solid road bed, rock ballasted and sometimes fenced; substantial bridges and buildings for freight and passenger accommodation, built or proposed; heavy passenger cars sometimes 60 feet long, seated precisely like steam coaches, having air brakes, heavy trucks, and being divided into compartments for passengers and baggage, same system of train despatching, generally, as yet, by telephone; a systematic form of tickets, way bills and accounting; high speed, sometimes already reaching 50 to 60 miles per hour, and promising 100, and, most important of all, considerations to the traveler, the present fact of low railway rates.

"Ohio thus far furnishes the most numerous examples of long-distance electric railways existing and projected, although other states are pressing fast in the same direction. Four syndicates in Ohio have systems of roads covering nearly all parts of the state and reaching out into adjoining states. One syndicate has 600 to 700 miles built, under construction, or mapped out, one of these projects being a line connecting Toledo, Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus. Already the first named syndicate has a line completed from Cleveland to Toledo significantly called the Lake Shore Electric railway, as it closely parallels the Lake Shore steam railway, has begun to make its presence known by announcing extremely 'cut rates.' For example, Cleveland to Toledo (115 miles) \$1.75 as against \$3.25 by the steam road; Cleveland to Newark, 50 cents, as against \$1.67, etc. The extent of numerous other proposed lines is suggested by their extensive titles, as, for example, 'Ohio & Indiana Air Line,' 'Interstate Consolidated Railway,' 'Middle States Railroad,' 'Chicago & Indiana Air Line,' 'Erie, Elkhart & New York Air Line,' 'Southern Ohio Traction Company,' 'Northern & Western Ohio Traction Company,' 'Detroit & Chicago Traction Company,' 'Toledo, Columbus, Springfield & Cincinnati Railway,' etc.

The coming year will see many hundred miles of these proposed competitors in operation and the decreased revenues of some of the steam roads will result in the establishment of local passenger rates that will undoubtedly stimulate travel, and to some extent increase long distance journeying on steam roads, so that no very serious effects probably are to be anticipated until electric lines get into position to offer actual competition for freight traffic, as most of them promise to do. What the effects of freight rates and tonnage of the steam lines may eventually be from this cause it is too early to attempt to say."

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ANNUAL JANUARY LINEN SALE.

SURPRISING SACRIFICE OF TABLE DAMASKS, NAPKINS, TOWELS SHEETS, DOMESTICS, ETC.,

This is the season that housewives, since Colonial Days, have deemed most appropriate for replenishing their linen stocks, and, in the face of a phenomenal rise in linen values we have prepared for it with the most extraordinary low prices that we have ever quoted for the best makes that the world's producers put forth. Decatur has never known a greater or more economical offering of handsome, heavy, pure linen, Scotch and German Linens. Thousands of Towels and Napkins in great variety. The finest of Bed Linens, Muslins and other Domestic. Superb goods all of them and at prices that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

Choice Table Damasks

We have everything in Housekeeping Linens that can possibly be required for the proper conduct of private home, hotel or restaurant, and there is not an item in the lot that is not dependable quality and in desirable variety. Please note the specially reduced prices:



54-inch Cream Damask, worth 40c, goes during this sale for per yard	29c
60-inch Cream Table Damask, an extra good value at 60c, per yard this sale	45c
68-inch Cream Irish Damask, guaranteed pure flax. Comes in handsome new patterns and is worth regularly 75c. You can buy it during this sale at per yard	63c
72-inch all linen Cream Scotch Damask, extra good quality and worth 85c, for per yard	69c
72-inch very heavy Cream Scotch Damask, worth 90c, at per yard	73c
72-inch extra heavy Cream Scotch Damask. This goods comes with a plain center and has a wide and elaborate border in a great variety of new and attractive patterns. It has been priced at 95c, but we shall sell it during this sale at per yard	79c

Our lines of bleached Table Damask are fully equal in value and variety to the Cream grades, among the leaders being the following:

62-inch bleached Damask, a good value at 60c, will be sold during this sale at per yard	45c
68-inch bleached Irish Damask, worth 75c, for per yard	63c

72-inch Bleached Irish Damask in all the handsome, up-to-date patterns, which have sold for 85c, at per yard

Elegant Napkins, in all the best lines, worth \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4, \$4.25, \$4.50, for per dozen, \$1.75, \$2.17, \$2.37, \$2.60, \$3.30, \$3.62, \$4.37 and

72-inch Bleached Scotch Damask in new and thoroughly attractive designs and which we sell regularly for 95c, at per yard

72-inch Bleached Damask, a very handsome and extra quality, worth \$1.10, for per yard

72-inch extra fine Bleached Scotch Damask, very elegant patterns, worth \$1.35, for per yard

72-inch double extra Bleached Scotch Damask, magnificent patterns and quality, worth \$1.60, for per yard

54-inch Turkey Red Damask, worth 30c, for per yard	23c
60-inch Turkey Red Damask, worth 40c, for per yard	32c
60-inch Oil Red Table Damask, worth 60c, for per yard	47c
60-inch Oil Red and White Table Damask, worth 65c, for per yard	57c
66-inch Oil Red and White Table Damask, worth 70c, for per yard	69c
72-inch Oil Red and Green Table Damask, worth 55c, for per yard	79c

Special Towel Offerings

Heavy, extra large size Towels, fringed and hemstitched, worth 55c, 30c and 35c; choice of the lot for each

Heavy 20x40 Huck Towels, worth 18c, for each

Very fine Damask Towels, fringed and hemstitched, worth 45c, for each



Cottons and Sheetings

Cotton prices are high and going higher, but a large portion of the stock prepared for this sale was purchased before the advance began. No lower prices can possibly be made on the grades quoted below, and they are much lower than these same goods can be sold for next month. Our stock is complete in all widths and sold in this department, at very special prices throughout this sale:

In ready-made Sheets and Pillow Cases we quote the well known Defender brand. Prices are as follows:

81x90 sheet, worth 60c, for each	47c	7-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	15c
81x90 Sheet of extra fine quality, worth 70c, for each	69c	8-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	17c
Pillow Cases in all sizes and of best materials, at each 11c, 13c, 15c, 16c, 17c and	19c	9-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	19c
7-4 Brown Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	12 1/2c	10-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	21c
8-4 Brown Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	15c	In 36-inch Brown Muslins we have all the standard brands, including Lionel L.L. at 3 7-8c; Henderson L.L. at 4 1-4c per yard; Pepperell R at 5 7-8c per yard; Buck's Head at per yard	6 1/2c
9-4 Brown Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	16c		
10-4 Brown Pepperell Sheet-ing, per yard	18c		

In 36-inch Bleached Muslins we shall sell the well known Forest Mills Broad at 6 1-2c per yard; Blackstone at 7 1-2c; Lonsdale, Masonville and Fruit of the Loom at per yard

Pattern Table Cloths

We have without doubt, the most thoroughly complete line of Pattern Table Cloths in Central Illinois. Among the numerous beautiful and exclusive patterns in our collection we ask your special attention to, and inspection of, our named patterns: "Morning Glory," "Summer Garlands," "Tulip," "Rose" and "Poppy," "Chrysanthemum," "Gleadow," "Pansy," "American Beauty," "Royal Roses," "First Empire" (round center), "Scroll" (round center), and many others. The round center cloths are for use on round tables. We have these cloths in several sizes with napkins to match at proportionate prices. Here are some of the special grades and prices:

2x2 yard, 2x2 1-2 yard and 2x3 yard Pattern Cloths in all the most popular new patterns, and which have been priced at \$3, \$4 and \$4.50, will be sold during this sale for each, \$2.63, \$3.37 and	\$3.87	Same patterns in 21-2x21-2 yards and 21-2x3 yards, worth \$6 and \$7.25, for each, \$4.87 and	\$6.19
Damask Pattern Cloths, 21-2x21-2 yards and 21-2x3 yards, worth \$5 and \$6, for each, \$4.37 and	\$4.87	Extra fine Damask Pattern Cloth in very handsome patterns and superb quality pure linen, 21-2x21-2 yards and 21-2x3 yards, worth \$10 and \$11; prices each for this sale, \$8.87 and	\$9.87
Double Satin Damask Pattern Cloths, 2x2 yards, 2x2 1-2 yards and 2x3 yards, in the Tulip, Crocus, Crown Imperial, Poppy, Pansy, Daffodil and Chrysanthemum patterns, worth \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5, for each, \$3.19, \$3.87 and	\$4.87	Special Cut in Napkin Prices 20x20 all linen Napkins, good quality, worth \$1.10, for per dozen	95c
		20x20 all linen Napkins, in very attractive patterns, worth \$1.35, for per dozen	\$1.19

EVERYTHING ADVERTISED ON THIS PAGE WILL BE ON SALE TOMORROW. READ AND THINK TODAY—ACT TOMORROW.

CLOAKS, SUITS, SKIRTS AND FURS.

Grand Annual Clearance in the Ready-to-Wear Department.

After the largest season's business in the history of this department, we desire to make a speedy clearance of all remaining Winter garments. Every garment has been specially marked for this great sacrifice sale, and every ticket shows both the former price and the wonderfully low price at which you can purchase the garment now.

Tailor Made Suits and Skirts.

Only a few weeks and the mildness of spring will be here and these Jacket Suits will be indispensable, and, with the remarkable variety in prevailing styles, they are always presentable and in good form, whatever the occasion:

\$12.50 Suits made of good, serviceable all wool suitings	\$7.50
\$15.00 Suits of good firm Cheviots, hand some trimmed Jackets, for	\$9.75
\$20.00 Blouse Suits with jacket and flounced skirts, trimmed	\$13.75
\$25.00 Suits handsomely made and finished in the best style	\$16.50
75 high Class Tailored Suits, no two alike, at greatly reduced prices	
\$3.50 Serge Dress Skirts, well lined and bound	\$2.49
\$5.00 Serge Dress Skirts, all wool and lapped seams	\$3.50
\$10.00 Fine Venetian and Cheviot Dress Skirts	\$7.00
\$12.00, \$15.00 and \$16.50 fine Tailor Made Skirts, choice	\$10.00



Fine, Choice Furs.

\$200.00 very best London dyed Alaska Seal Coat	\$225
\$275.00 extra choice Alaska Seal Coat	\$200
\$225.00 Alaska Seal Coat, nice	\$165
\$150.00 Alaska Seal Coat, a special bargain at	\$98
\$75.00 Beaver Trimmed Near Seal Coat	\$50
\$25.00 and \$30.00 long Arctic Brown Fox Bows, bushy tails	\$17.50
\$30.00 Hudson Bay Otter Scarf, very choice color	\$19.50
\$50.00 Siberian Mink Victorine, genuine mink tails	\$26.00
\$25.00 long genuine brown Marten Victorine, very choice	\$15.00
\$15.00 Siberian Mink Scarfs, genuine mink tails	\$10.00
\$25.00 Arctic Stone Marten Scarfs, very rich, natural tails	\$15.00
\$6.00 River Mink Collarettes, Marten tails	\$3.98

\$5.00 Electric Seal and Grey Chinchilla Collarettes	\$3.49
\$7.50 Electric Seal and light grey Moufflon Collarettes	\$4.50
\$5.00 Misses' grey Krimmer Collarettes, dark Fox tails	\$3.50
\$1.00 black Coney Muffs	.49c
\$2.00 black Coney Muffs	\$1.25
\$5.00 Astrachan Muffs	\$2.00
\$6.00 Electric Seal Muffs	\$3.98
\$20 genuine Persian Lamb Muffs	\$10

Ladies' Winter Jackets and Capes.

In these desirable garments some of the smartest styles of the current season will await your approval on our tables, and shall be offered you Monday morning and thereafter, at the following very remarkable reductions:

\$7.50 Kersey half fitting, full lined Box Coats	\$5.00
\$10.00 Montague 27-inch coats, with best linings	\$6.50
\$12.00 and \$13.50 42-inch Long Coats, in black and castors, full lined	\$8.50
\$10.50 and \$15.00 Automobile Coats, finely tailored	\$12.00
\$20.00 and \$25.00 high class Coats, all lengths, all colors	\$15.00
\$10.00 Kersey Capes, Scotch plaid, silk lined hood, all wool and tan	\$6.00
\$10.00 imported Golf Capes, strictly pure wool	\$6.50
\$12.50 imported Golf Capes, in a splendid assortment of colors	\$8.50
\$15.00 imported Golf Capes, the very latest modes	\$10.00
\$5.00 Plush Capes, full lined and trimmed with Angora	\$3.50
\$7.50 Plush Capes, trimmed with brown Marten	\$5.00
\$7.50 Plush Capes, trimmed with braid and jet	\$5.00
\$30.00 Genuine Astrachan Fur Cape, 30 inches long, not pieced	\$17.50

Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers.

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Flannelette Wrappers, wide flounce and ruffled shoulders	98c
\$1.75 extra heavy Flannelette Wrappers in stripes and figures	\$1.29
\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 Wrappers in a large variety of novel styles and materials, choice for	\$1.49

Flannel Waists and Walking Skirts.

\$1.50 Flannel Waists, all colors and sizes, perfect fitting	98c
\$2.00 Flannel Waists, old rose, green, red and black, full tucked	\$1.39
\$2.50 Flannel Waists, plain or striped, in pretty shades	\$1.69
\$3.00 Flannel Waists, a great variety of choice styles	\$1.95
\$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00 Waists, beautiful novelties, choice for \$3.50	\$3.50
\$3.00 striped Heavy Cloth Walking Skirts	\$1.98
\$3.98 black and navy cloth Walking Skirts, circular flounce	\$2.49
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RANDOM THOUGHTS.

Poster collecting, according to the new dealers, has died out almost completely in the last year or two. Four or five years ago when the fad was at its height a number of worthless magazines were started on the strength of the posters which were made to advertise them. Several of the magazines have survived, and so have some of the posters and not the good ones. The most voracious poster collectors were college students, many of whom plastered not only the walls but the ceilings of their rooms with gaudy, staring Beardsleyesque prints. Now even in the college rooms the fad has lost favor. Posters as a rule, however, are made better now than they were, not only in plan but in execution. The new dealers bless the lapse of the craze because they can now keep attractive posters in their windows.

It is a well known fact that the products of our protected industries are sold abroad at from 10 to 50 per cent cheaper than the people at home can buy them. This is done under the special or foreign price list agreed upon by the Manufacturers' Association. In a burst of confidence President Schwab, of the billion-dollar infant, informed the congressional industrial commission some time ago that export prices were made at very much lower rates than those for domestic use. This fact may therefore be regarded as admitted. What is less known, however, is the circumstance that the manufacturers have thus far failed to agree among themselves as to what is foreign and what is domestic territory, and this has led to complications.

The navy department at Washington has taken the initial steps for the adoption of wireless telegraphy as a means of signaling between ships at sea. Why should it not be possible, by the installation on each warship of a Marconi apparatus adjusted to the same key or tone, for one ship in any part of the world to send a message that could be received and read by any other American warship in any part of the world? And the department at Washington could have a similar installation that would enable it to communicate with every ship, wherever stationed. Thus the whole American navy would be in absolute touch. This is a vision which

may become reality with the progress of invention.

The Methodist conferences have adopted the new constitution, which permits women to sit and vote in conference. This is the final result of an agitation that has lasted fourteen years. It seems incredible that a reform so just should have been resisted so long. Women supply more than half the members, three-fourths of the work and nearly all the faith in most of the churches, and in none more so than in the Methodist. It was mere churchiness to refuse them this recognition for so long. It is probable that the soundness, as well as justice of the reform will be vindicated by a new access of energy and zeal in the conferences vitalized as well as honored by their participation.

The Isle of Man.

The news that Hall Gaiuso has been elected a "key" by an overwhelming majority brings to mind the curious anomaly existing in the Isle of Man. This little island, which measures only thirty-three miles by twelve, is a remarkable survival of feudal days, in the very center of the British Isles. Situated in the middle of the Irish channel, nearly equidistant from England, Ireland and Scotland, the Isle of Man has a separate existence and is itself a little kingdom whose ruler is the ruler of Great Britain. When the ordinary Englishman is asked what this Isle is famous for, he will invariably answer its cats, which have no tails. As a matter of fact, there is an indigenous breed of cats without tails, and this unfortunate circumstance has caused the little island to be regarded in a humorous light which its history and its traditions ill deserve.

The government of the island was, up till 1880, more or less of an oligarchy. There are three estates, the governor, the council, and the house of keys, or parliament, which together constitute what is known as the Court of Tynwald. The council consists of the Bishop of Sodor and Man, the attorney-general, the receiver-general, the two deacons or chief justices.

Not the least interesting feature of the Isle of Man is the fact that it has its own bishop, the Bishop of Sodor and Man, who has a seat in the House of Lords, without the privilege of a vote, however. The establishment of this bishopric is lost in the mists of antiquity. It is supposed to have been es-

ablished by Pope Gregory IV. in the ninth century. The name "Sodor" is of forgotten derivation, though it is supposed to mark the period when the Hebrides were in possession of the Norsemen and divided into Norder and Sodor or north and south.

The Manx language, which is similar to the Gaelic, is not yet extinct and the people still pursue their primitive way, touched superficially by the doctrines of modern times, but little changed from the days when the Stanleys held sway in their kingdom.

LEADS IN ASTRONOMY

Sir Robert Ball Declares America Excels All Europe.

"America is doing more and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe combined. S. H. Burnham is the greatest double-star astronomer that lives or ever lived," says Sir Robert Ball, professor of mathematics and astronomy at Cambridge university. "In astronomical matters," he said, "we in Europe all look to America. The primacy of America in these matters is largely due to the climate, which is favorable to astronomical observation, but much more to the wealth of the American people, and the large sums of money that they devoted to astronomical apparatus. I must admit, however, that it is also due in part to the superior talents of the American astronomers. Both the Yerkes telescope and the Lick telescope are larger than anything in Europe. It may sound like fulsome flattery, but it is a cold fact that America is doing more and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe together."—Chicago News.

Civilization of the Crows.

The Crow Indians, once the terror of the plains, are now scheduled as among the most industrious and prosperous Indians in the country. There are about two thousand of them on the Crow reservation in Montana, and they have been reported at Washington as "self-sustaining." There are gradations of wealthiness even among savages, and the Crows were more energetic in their wild life than were many of the other tribes, and especially those of the coast. It is not surprising, therefore, that they are more energetic in semi-civilized life than the others, and are ready sooner to dispense with government rations.—Portland Oregonian.

PHARAOH'S CHILDREN'S TOYS

They Were the Same That Delight Little Ones Today

Within the last forty of fifty years toy-making, as every middle-aged person knows, has been revolutionized. Gone are the simple delights of past generations; even the speaking doll, which was once a wonder sufficient to attract all the neighbors, is now a mere commonplace. The idea may pay as much as several hundred dollars for dolls for their children, and mechanical toys are built on so vast a scale that the boys of millionaires, should their fathers suddenly become poor, might hang out signs and go into trade with no other equipment than that of the toy shop. Yet, after all, the marvels of the toy shops of today are only old friends, grown elegant and prosperous. A doll is a doll, and a wagon is a wagon, even though dozens of dollars may separate them from their ancestors of fifty years ago. You may change toys, but children remain the same. Pharaoh, in a soft moment, ordered for his little ones just the same sort of toys that now fill the shops. For certain toys are the divine right of childhood, and children make them for themselves if they can't have them otherwise; so parents, since the world began, have been helping the little ones to fashion what their hearts desired.

Toys may come and toys may go, but a few stay on forever. A girl will have her doll and a boy will have his weapons and his boats, while both cry out for wagons and carriages and animals. These are the staple toys, which always will be, until children are born grown-up. Excavations show that the children of ancient Egypt played with them just as those of today. What is more, these toys of three or four thousand years past are just about as good as those of half as many hundred years ago. The children of the Pharaohs were in the matter of toys about as well off as were the little ones of the Puritans. It is recently, indeed, that the art of toy-making has become so elaborate, after remaining for generation after generation almost stationary. Dolls and animals were cut out for young Egypt, and queer boats were fashioned with the greatest care. At least one elaborate sedan chair, with a lady inside who can be taken out, has been dug up. This, however, is less ancient than the dolls, and dates back only to the Roman invasion of Egypt. It was the custom to bury a child's toys in its grave—thousands of years afterward to be dug up and put in museums, but not, it is hoped, without a sigh for the little life that went out ages ago, or for the weeping mother, whose hands placed her darling's toys beside the tiny body.

Not only in regard to toys were the children of ancient Egypt like those of today, but they were told stories similar to those which put children to bed nowadays. A papyrus has been found which gives some of these stories. It tells tales of animals and trees that talked with men, and of fairies that foretold evil at the birth of a prince, much as twentieth century children hear them.

Young Egypt of long ago would open its eyes at the marvels of today, but, turned into a toy shop or with a volume of fairy tales, it would find so many old friends that ancient Egypt and young America would seem to be only a step apart.—New York Tribune.

VERTICAL WRITING

Boston Paper Defends It As Best and Most Practical System.

The action of the Lynn school committee in voting unanimously to continue the teaching of vertical writing in the public schools of that city was wise. The committee set a good example, in thus rebuking with emphasis the attempt which appears to be making in many places to induce school officers to compel a retrograde movement in this matter.

The general introduction of vertical writing a few years ago has already resulted in very marked improvement, as a general thing. If there are instances where the new system seems to be, if possible, even worse than the old slanting style the failure is attributable to wrong methods of instruction, and not to the difference between the two systems. Vertical writing, when properly taught, results in greater legibility, greater ease of movement and greater consciousness. It is based on practical and sensible principles. While perhaps not susceptible of so high a degree of ornament as may sometimes be found in the old fashioned way of writing, the vertical system in actual practice makes a written page which looks better than does the ordinary actual written page of the old kind, as well as answering in much higher degree the legitimate purpose of writing.—Boston Advertiser.

Humane Rule

Harry, why is it that in football each side has only eleven men? Why don't they have an even dozen on each side? Harry—Because it would endanger the lives of two more men. I supposed everybody knew that.—Boston Transcript.

Brain Food Nonsense.

Another ridiculous food fad has been branded by the most competent authorities. They have dispelled the silly notion that one kind of food is needed for brain, another for muscles and still another for bones. A correct diet will not only nourish a particular part of the body, but it will sustain every other part. Yet, however good your food may be, its nutritive is destroyed by indigestion, or dyspepsia. You must prepare for their appearance or prevent their coming by taking regular doses of Green's August Flower, the favorite medicine of the healthy millions. A few doses aids digestion, stimulates the liver to healthy action, purifies the blood, and makes you feel buoyant and vigorous. You can get Dr. G. C. Green's reliable remedies at all drug stores. Get Green's Special At-

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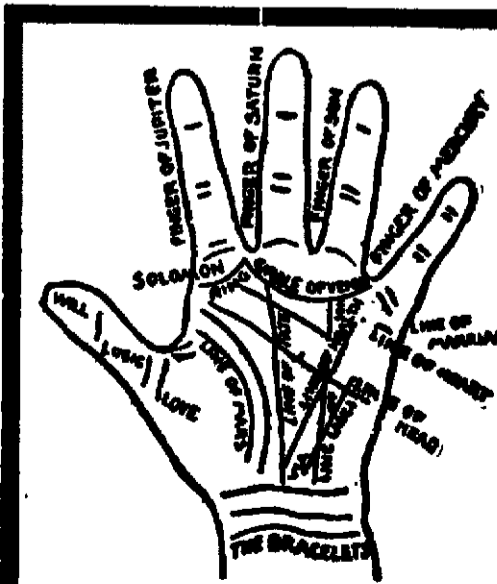
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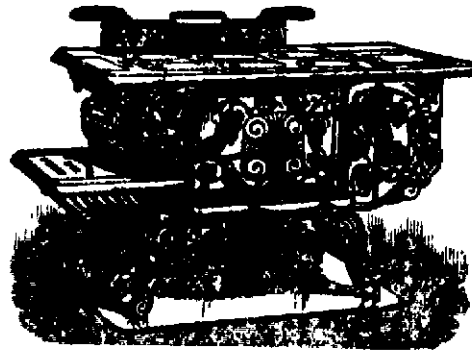
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SENATOR WELLINGTON

His Remarks About McKinley Cause Him to Be Shunned.

Senator Wellington, of Maryland, is having an uncomfortable time of it. His bolt from the republican party last year and the powwow kicked up by the heartless remark attributed to him when President McKinley was shot have combined to isolate him from his colleagues in the senate, and he cuts a lonely figure. He stood at his desk for some time the other day awaiting recognition to introduce some bills, and the indifference manifested by the presiding officer toward him is a fair illustration of the way he is given the cold shoulder all around. The statement has been made that Wellington will be sincerely relieved when his term is up, and it is probably true, for he is obliged to look by himself.

It has never been definitely established that Wellington said, as reported, that the assassination of the president was a "matter of indifference" to him. He declined to deny or affirm it, and Maryland republicans proceeded to punish him by expelling him from their clubs. When the feeling of indignation was at its height a friend of the senator gave out a presumably inspired statement that his words had been garbled, but the explanation was not decisive. Wellington has become a pessimist, and he has pride enough neither to try to justify himself nor to regain the favor he has so completely lost. His state will welcome even Gorman in his place.

On the other hand, the democrats are giving Senator McLaughlin the cold shoulder since he began trying to organize a semi-republican party in South Carolina. McLaughlin is not in the same boat as Wellington, however, but he now must look to the republicans for any favors he is to get in the senate organization.

Wellington has a peculiar career in national politics. A few years ago he was a teller in a Cumberland bank, of which Lloyd Lowndes was president. Lowndes saw that he was a bright young man, and decided to push him ahead in republican politics, the primary object being to have a friend at court who could swing the county funds into the bank for deposit. Wellington got on well and finally secured control of the county machine and had all the say about the patronage. He played his cards well and was nominated for congress. This was in 1894, and there was a republican landslide which elected him. Encouraged by their success the republicans went ahead and carried the legislature, insuring the downfall of Senator Gorman. Wellington captured that plum, too, and for several years was the cock of the walk in Maryland politics. Meanwhile Lowndes had been elected governor and he made Wellington chairman of the state committee. The latter quarreled with his former employer, however, and since then has waged a deadly war on him. In order to injure Lowndes he has started a rival bank at Cumberland.

Furthermore, Wellington has sworn to ruin Lowndes politically, but the senator's influence in that direction is now at the zero point. Wellington nursed a deep grudge against McKinley over a patronage matter, and it was this as much as anything which led him to leave the republican party and support Bryan last year. He did not make much of a hit with the democrats, however, and they now seem to have as little use for him as have the republicans. Wellington's term expires in 1904, and he will not be sorry when the time arrives to step out. The role of "the ancient mariner" is not a pleasant one.—Chicago Post.

The Way of a Boy.

When this small boy on the Ninth street car went into his clothing after his car fare the other passengers betrayed little or no interest in him. He was an ordinary, snub-nosed, freckle-faced boy of 9 or 10, and it seemed pretty safe to assume that he had the nickel necessary for a ride or he wouldn't have swung aboard, and so the passengers paid little or no attention to him. The men, as usual, occupied themselves in pretending that they weren't looking at all at the good-looking women in the opposite seats, and the women, also as usual, endeavored to convey the impression that they didn't know there was such a creature as a man within 100 miles of them.

But when this small boy began to have his troubles, all hands got to looking him over. Everybody, it would appear, likes to see a small boy in trouble, anyhow.

He boy plowed around in the lining of the right hand pocket of his shabby little overcoat, seeing himself into many impossible attitudes as he stood and wiggled in the aisle, and, finally, after terrific exertion, he brought forth a penny, half buried in a lot of woolly stuff from the coat. Then he thrust his attention to the lining of the left-hand pocket of his overcoat. After almost superhuman difficulties, in the process of which it looked as if the boy might get himself wrapped around an invisible axle, he several times in such a manner that he could never get right again, he produced another penny, also plentifully wadded in woolen lint belonging to the overcoat.

A couple of elderly men who were reading papers side by side at the end of the car began to get nervous. They pushed back their spectacles and studied the boy's movements anxiously.

"Fare, there, son!" said the conductor. The boy gazed reproachfully at the conductor, stuck the two found pennies in his mouth and continued his wiled exertions to assemble his fare.

He unbentened his overcoat by the simple process of giving it a yank from bottom to top, and then he dug into the right-hand pocket of his jacket. That pocket, too, seemed to be flimsy, and the boy had to grope through like a cat clawing for the exit of a bag. At length he got to the end of it, and an expression of acute relief crossed his freckled features. The hand was wedged in so tightly that he had about as much trouble in

getting it out as he had had in getting it in, but it clutched another cent when it finally made its appearance. This went into his mouth to join the other two. At this point the two elderly men coughed violently and scowled at the boy, as if to say that they wished their infernal business were done with, but the others who were watching the boy's moves looked sympathetic.

The boy next began a laborious exploration of the right hand knickerbocker pocket from which he produced and bestowed in his overcoat pocket many articles peculiar to boys—marbles, a piece of wax, a rusty-looking knife, two or three printed celluloid buttons, and so on—and at the very bottom of this salvage was yet another penny. All the other passengers except the two elderly men breathed sighs of relief, but they wanted to read their papers, and yet they couldn't while this boy was engaged in his eventual search, with the chances about even whether he'd win out or not.

"Fare now, there, kid," said the conductor, once more tackling the boy. The boy handed him the four pennies from his mouth after very politely rubbing them off on his overcoat sleeve, and he said, with a very boyish grin: "I got the other one somewhere—wait a minute, mister."

Then the boy gazed up at the ceiling of the car and studied for a minute, while the other passengers, except the two elderly men, who looked ferocious, rooted for him with all their might.

The boy felt tentatively in the left hand knickerbocker pocket, but it was plain to see that he knew that was no go. For about a half minute he looked worried and the sympathetic passengers worried along with him, as could be seen by the tense expression on their faces as they regarded every movement of the boy with strained, almost feverish attention. Then the boy reached into a back pocket of his knickerbockers, brought forth one of those celluloid traveling soap boxes, somewhat battered, took off the lid and there, buried in a lot of junk, was the other cent.

The sigh of relief that ran around that car was distinctly audible. The sympathetic passengers, men and women, settled themselves back in their seats and smiled at the boy, and two or three of them looked as if they wanted to jump up and suggest cheers. The two elderly men coughed violently again, readjusted their spectacles and began again on their newspapers.

Then the small boy sat down, took a neat looking change purse from the inside pocket of his overcoat, dumped the contents—about \$2 in quarters, nickels and dimes—into his hands and began counting it, whereupon the passengers who had been rooting for him but a moment before instantly froze and looked at him as if they considered him a bad lot and a boy bound straight for the state's prison or worse.—Washington Evening Star.

Platt's Righteous Grievance

Senator Platt's declaration of war against "the political Warwick of Kansas," otherwise the Hon. William Allen White, does not immediately concern us, but it might at least be said that "character sketches of politicians" as well as character sketches of other people ought to be right or their authors should be made to suffer. Mr. Platt's grievance is that he was in the objectionable sketch alluded to as "a man who was never animated by a kindly or patriotic motive in his life, and to that we think he had just ground for filing and objection. Who is Mr. William Allen White, anyhow, that he thus scintillates the souls of men?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Strenuous Days

These are strenuous days in the literary department stores of literary Chicago. A busy man sent over yesterday to a book counter for Eugene Field's "Trumpet and Drum" and was electrified by the arrival of a huge package containing these noisy but popular articles of celebration. And now he is congratulating himself that he did not ask for "The Complete Angler," which would have been nothing short of a \$100 fishing outfit.—Chicago Post.

Filial Consideration.

"Yes, sirree," said Farmer Contossel, "Josh is a right good boy, an' a great comfort to his parents." "But he doesn't help much around the farm." "I know it. But on the other hand he doesn't stand around like some young men an' act reproachful because he has to do his lovin' in a spring wagon instead of an automobile."—Washington Star.

The payment of the staff in President McKinley's case should be made by the spontaneous order of congress. There has been some silly newspaper criticism—some of it strangely enough said to emanate from professional men—of this conception of governmental duty; but whether of professional or lay origin, the people will undoubtedly have no patience with such views. It was as president that Mr. McKinley went to Buffalo, and as president he was shot, and the nation at once considered him as its patient. The reward of the surgeons and physicians is no more in the hands of the president's family than was the punishment of the murderer. It is not at all a question of greater care than for the most humble citizen—every good physician exercises an equal care in every case, low or high—but it is a question of greater responsibility and risk. If an error had been made in the conduct of the case the consequences to the attending physicians would have been positively tragic. Fortunately, no such errors were made, and the tremendous possibilities assumed should lend congress to act without bills being rendered, and in a way that it shall be shown that for this most delicate and responsible task conscientiously executed, the people have a proper recognition and gratitude.—American Medicine.

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Fate had played many pranks with Colonel Monstery. Born in Baltimore in 1821, his adventurous career began at the age of 12, when his parents took him to Copenhagen and placed him in the Royal Academy. Here he won a reputation as an athlete.

After graduation began a series of duels until he had to flee from Denmark. In 1842 he was an instructor in fencing in the czar's household at St. Petersburg, but a duel with a noble forced him to leave Russia hurriedly. He returned to the United States in 1846 and went to San Francisco in 1849.

After that came fighting with the Walker expedition in Nicaragua and the Cuban insurrection of 1851. In 1854 he joined the Spanish army as Instructor General of Fencing. Next he joined a filibustering expedition to Honduras, where he was captured, but escaped. Then came service in the Mexican army under Juarez.

In 1871 Colonel Monstery opened a fencing school in New York. A few years later he came to Chicago and opened a school here.

Six months ago Colonel Monstery went to Mexico to press a claim against the Mexican government for \$150,000, which was stolen from him in 1860. For years Colonel Monstery had tried to interest President Diaz in his behalf. At length a favorable reply was received, and the veteran athlete hurried to Mexico. He came back without the money, a broken-hearted and discouraged man.

In his last years Colonel Monstery was practically without resources, but in Alexander B. Scully, president of the Scully Iron and Steel company, and Thomas Moran, the liquor dealer, he found staunch and helpful friends.

Placing Him

"He doesn't amount to shucks," said the girl from the Kansas corn belt. "Pardon me," said the girl from Boston, "but it seems to me that he really isn't on an equality with a hill of beans."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Advice for Lumbago.

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Uncle Enos leaned on his broom in silence for a moment, lost in thought, but when he spoke it was with the calm assurance of an oracle.

"De bes' medicine for de ague would be an efforescent powder, to puff out de skin and lift it off de bones. When de skin is drawn tight over de bones, and de ague begins to shrink it, de bones is jes' natchally painful an' acheful, sah. But he efforescent powder it fizzes an' bzzz inside an' puff out de skin, an' obviante de difficulty in a sho' time, sah!"—Youth's Companion.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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THE PROMISE OF POWER.

Acts 1:1-11. Memory Verses, 6-8. Golden Text—Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you.—Acts 1:8.

FROM MOSES TO CHRIST.

It is a long leap from the exodus to the ascension of Christ. Twelve and a half centuries in time; and reckoning by events, a vast period embracing tremendous changes in the history of the Hebrews and of the world. During that time the Hebrews entered and settled in Canaan, lived a rude and primitive life for two centuries, enjoyed a brief period of power and splendor under David and Solomon, and for several hundred years more were ruled by kings and rebuked, guided, encouraged by prophets who revealed God's law and requirements. Then came captivity under eastern monarchs, a purifying of the nation's religion through suffering, a development of philosophy among the sages and of apocalyptic teaching about the future and the Messiah under the successors of the prophets.

One after another the great powers of the pagan world subdued and governed the brave little remnant of Judah. Against the oppressions of one of these the national spirit flamed forth in a splendid war for independence under the Maccabees, but soon a selfish and corrupt hierarchy brought the nation again into subjection, until the Roman yoke was forced upon it. Scilicet and priests hedged about the daily life of the people with burdensome restrictions—misnamed religion. The hope of better things survived among a humble few. And then one night a star shone above Bethlehem, angels sang, shepherds worshiped, the Christ child slumbered and murmured in his manger-bed. Thirty years of silence, with the nation growing weary of the burden of servitude to Rome and the priests. Then the three years' ministry of Jesus the Anointed, among the humble and the afflicted, the poor and the despised; gathering to his side a multitude of curiously seekers and a handful of half-understanding followers to whom he committed his mission. And now we come to the closing scene in his earthly career, which is likewise the first scene in the history of the apostolic church.

THE BOOK OF ACTS.

The book of Acts is rather singularly named. Instead of being the Acts of the Apostles, it is some of the Acts of Peter and Paul; or, as some have suggested, the Acts of the Holy Spirit working through these two apostles. The book is not a complete history, even in outline, of the growth of the kingdom of God during the period comprehended by its beginning and end—the ascension of Jesus and the imprisonment of Paul at Rome, that is, between the dates of 30 and 62 or 63 A. D. We may fairly conclude that it does give the salient features of that growth—the movement

among Jewish Christians by which a Christian church was built up in Jerusalem and Christianity extended among Jews in Palestine, with Peter and James as prominent leaders; and the other movement among the Gentiles, led by Paul. But there are many other phases of early Christian missions besides these two which had their beginning during this generation, and of which every reader of the Bible would read with eager interest had their record been preserved. For one thing, it was probably due in large part to the needs of these unknown early missionaries that the recollections of the apostles concerning the deeds and words of Jesus were put in a fixed though as yet unwritten form communicated by oral instruction; from which materials the written gospel of Mark and later those of Matthew and Luke were constructed, thirty or forty years after the Lord's departure.

METHOD OF COMPOSITION.

Acts is just now the prey of a lot of second-rate European critics who are trying to analyze it into numberless scraps and to impugn its authenticity in historical matters. Now it is evident that the author of the book—or editor, if we prefer the term—did use the various sources for his record. In the preface to his gospel, which is indisputably from the same hand as the Acts, Luke makes no secret of the fact that he has used the materials provided by others. There are parts of Acts, written in the first person, where the common inference, and probably the correct one, is that Luke writes of what he himself has seen and heard as Paul's traveling companion. There are other parts where he writes upon the evidence of others; and whether he uses their words or his own in summarizing speeches, etc., the book as a whole is confessedly a compilation. Its style, however, is practically uniform throughout, with peculiarities which connect it with the gospel. As to alleged historical inaccuracies, one by one these are being disproved by archaeological discoveries. A few still remain unsolved. That is not Luke's fault. Apparent differences between the Acts and Paul's epistles demand study, and in some cases satisfactory explanations are not yet forthcoming. The tendency is to magnify these. On the whole, the book is likely to be more highly esteemed as history after the allegations are sifted and examined.

Acts is in a literary way a unit, though made up from various sources. It may be divided either at the beginning of the eighth chapter, which narrates the conversion of Saul, and so introduces the great apostle to the Gentiles as a Christian leader, or at the beginning of the thirteenth chapter, where the record of his three missionary journeys begins, occupying the rest of the book. In either event our present lessons are from the first half, in which Peter and John, particularly Peter, appear as the leaders of the apostolic band.

The lesson is a very familiar one, so far as the bare facts are concerned. It is likely that the teacher, therefore, will use a good deal of time in bridging the gap in the history and describing the book of Acts, which we are to study for six months. In addition to this several significant things in the lesson passage must be noted:

1. Even after the resurrection the apostles still supposed that the coming of the kingdom of God, for which they were waiting, would include a political revolution delivering the Jews from foreign rule. This is a remarkable illustration of the tenacity of the human mind in holding to a preconceived idea. Jesus had said nothing in his whole ministry that warranted this notion, and yet they clung to it. This was one of the obstacles against the rapid spread of spiritual Christianity among the Jews; and doubtless one of the reasons why Jewish Christianity was relatively so weak and so soon disappeared utterly from the earth.

2. Jesus, replying to their question, distinctly forbade inquiry into such questions concerning the future, or rather assured them that the inquiry would be in vain. Here is another illustration of the tenacity of the human mind in holding to a preconceived idea that there are devout and intelligent Christians today who suppose that by reading Daniel or Revelation in connection with some secret key of their own they can discover the times and the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power.

3. The Lord commanded a waiting for the power of the Holy Spirit in order that the apostles might become witnesses of him. Here or in connection with the next lesson there will naturally be some discussion of what is meant by the coming of the Holy Spirit and his power. The safest guide is the sixteenth chapter of John.

4. With the ascension came a promise of return. "In like manner" seems to most readers to mean a visible return of an embodied Christ; and if that be the meaning and the only meaning, the event is still in the future. There is a question whether the "coming" or "presence" of Christ is not a progressive process which began almost at once, manifest in some respects in the early church and at the destruction of Jerusalem, to be fully completed at some time still to come. See Matt. 16:28, Mark 9:1, etc.

Next lesson: "The Promise of Power Fulfilled." Acts 2:1-11.

DIVORCE IN TURKEY

Nothing Could Be Easier—Recent Hard and Humorous Cases

Divorce is very easy in Turkey, and does not require a judge and jury to settle matters. All that is necessary is for the injured party to say "I divorce you," three times, and the deed is done. The husband has to make the wife a proper allowance and all is over. Two cases have recently occurred which are rather amusing. A certain Turkish gentleman is a keen amateur gardener, and his garden contains at all seasons a brilliant show of flowers, to which he devotes most of his time, rather to the disgust of his wife, who is never allowed to cut them. Last month his chrysanthemums were in the height of their glory, when a tremendous down-pour of rain came on. This threatened to destroy the magnificent blooms, many of which were equal in size to the best results attained in England. Seeing the danger the gentleman called all his servants and set to work to carry the pots into the house and arrange them up both sides of the staircase. When they had finished the lady suddenly appeared and fell into a violent rage, declaring that her husband thought more of his flowers than he did of her, and that he insulted her by bringing earth into the house. In vain he explained that in all the best European houses flowers in pots were the proper thing. Nothing would appease her; she said he was defiling her house by bringing dirt in, and she would divorce him. She sent for her sister to come and be a witness of the divorce and setting to work with her women huddled all the flowers out again. When the sister arrived, however, matters were settled up, and the divorce did not take place.

On another occasion the same lady sent her small son down to breakfast in a pink shirt and a green tie. The father was shocked at this barbarous combination, and made a remark to the English governess, who sent the child back to change his tie. But down came the lady of the house in a furious rage, saying she knew how to dress the child; that a pink shirt and green tie was the best of taste and she would not remain to be insulted by giving preference to the opinions of an English girl. Again she threatened to divorce him, but again it fell through, as the husband could not find the 4000 he would have had to pay her until her wrath had cooled down.—London Telegraph.

DINNER COSTS A FORTUNE

An Expensive Banquet Given by Sir Morton Peto at Delmonico's.

Probably the most expensive dinner given at Delmonico's restaurant, on Fourteenth street, was that given by Morton Peto to the tea and coffee merchants of New York, two hundred in number. It cost \$25,000. The rarest wines and the most elaborate decorations were mere incidents. The menu cards were of gold and the guests sat on silk cushions, on which their names were embroidered. In the center of the table was a miniature lake, in which swam swans taken from Central park. Clara Louise Kellogg received \$1000 for singing two songs at this feast and a present, besides, of a diamond bracelet. The saloon was smothered in flowers.

Another dinner given at one of the Delmonico establishments, for ten people, cost \$400 a plate. It was luxurious enough to be classical. The main

ers, five of them, were dressed as sailors. The host was a yachtsman, and he bought the waiter's clothes. The guests drank, or, rather, tasted, every vintage liquor that ever has been brought to America. They finished with a pause cafe made of eleven liquors. Before each plate sat a cut glass basin about 20 inches in diameter and four inches deep. Each was nearly filled with water perfumed with attar of roses, on the surface of which floated half-open pond lilies. In the basin a perfect model of the yacht owned by the host was placed. It was cut in red cedar wood, with cabin, rail, wheel for steering, brass work, such as belaying pins and binnacle, man ropes worked and trimmed with sailor knots, scraped pine masts and booms, rigging of silken cords, colored as it would be in the original, and sails of satin. There was a gold oar and many other gewgaws.—New York Sun.

An Old Hand.

"What was the first thing your husband said when you got started on your wedding journey?"

"Excuse me while I go forward and have a smoke." You know it was the third time for him.—Chicago Record-Herald.

REMARKABLE CURE OF CROUP.

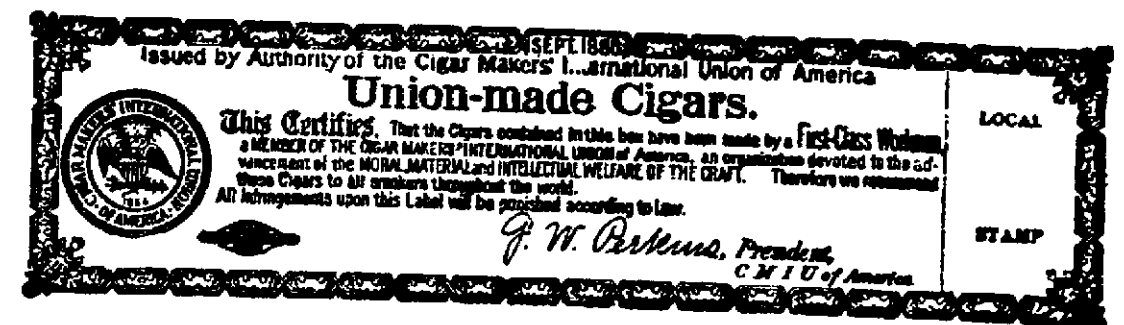
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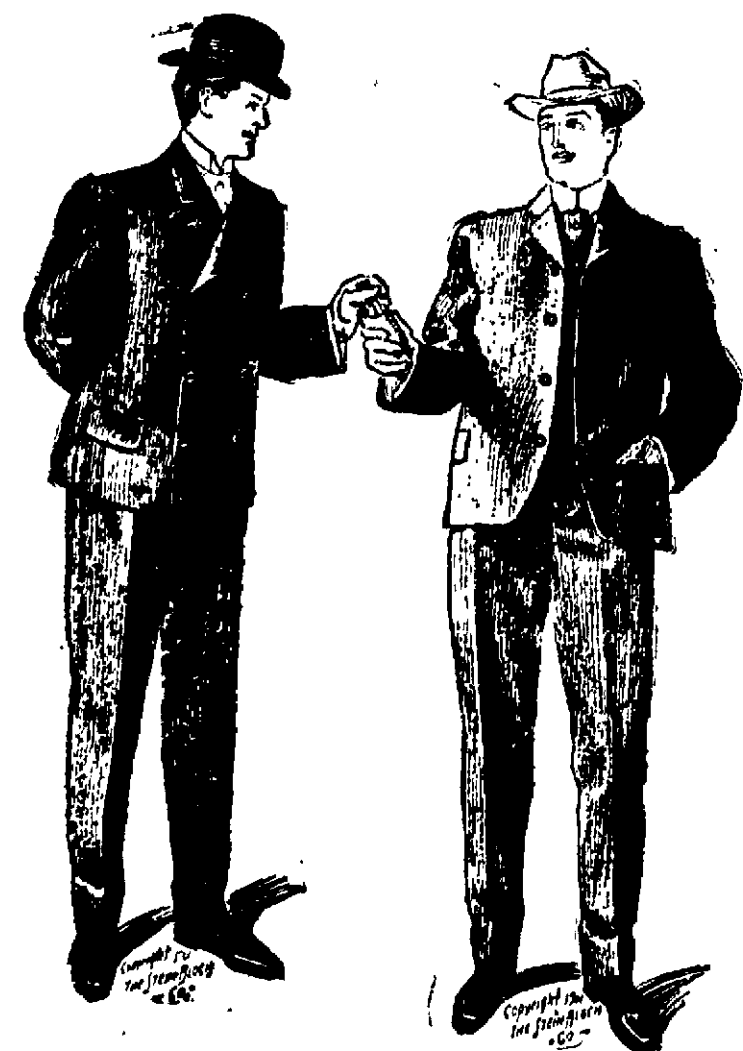
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